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## Need for Speed gone in a flash

According to the Reel Guys, this blockbuster — based on the successful video game series — is fun, but quickly forgotten **PAGE 19**



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## OILERS GET A CASE OF THE BLUES

Blues right wing T.J. Oshie leaps over Oilers defenceman Justin Schultz in the third period of their game on Thursday in St. Louis. The Blues defeated the Oilers 6-2. For more coverage, turn to page 32.

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# Redford loses caucus member as pressure continues

## Leadership attack. Calgary MLA says premier 'not a nice lady'

Premier Alison Redford was a leader under siege Thursday, facing caucus turmoil, an office in disarray and an accusation that she is an abusive bully, prone to tantrums and fits of rage.

It's the latest chapter in what has become Redford's nightmarish narrative of sagging support amid revelations of lavish spending on herself and her inner circle.

On Wednesday, she tried to stem the caucus revolt by agreeing to pay back \$45,000 she and her aide, Brad Stables, spent to fly to South Africa for Nelson Mandela's funeral.

That was not enough, however, to stop Calgary

backbencher Len Webber from quitting caucus Thursday to sit as an Independent.

Webber told reporters in Calgary that Redford is disrespectful and has issues with uncontrolled anger.

"She's just really not a nice lady," Webber said. "I cannot return to work and sit on the same side as long as Alison Redford is sitting at the helm."

Webber had already announced his intention to seek the Conservative nomination in the new federal riding of Calgary Confederation.

Redford, asked later by reporters in Edmonton for her reaction to Webber's remarks, said "no reaction."

She made the comment as she left Government House. Inside, Redford's caucus met without her to hash out matters in a private discussion. Many refused to say anything when

they emerged.

Deputy premier Dave Hancock said as far as he knows, no one else is leaving caucus and measures will be in place to make sure everyone feels they have a voice.

"This premier is a very strong premier. She has got strong leadership qualities and she has a strong caucus."

Hancock said Webber's remarks are tainted by the fact he is an ex-cabinet minister.

"He could not take the fact that in this business there are ups and there are downs," said Hancock.

After returning from Government House, Redford did not attend the start of question period to take questions from the other leaders. She has missed question period three of the last four days.

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## Police zero in on city speeders

Excessive speeding on city roads continues to be a problem in Edmonton, as seen during Edmonton police's March Operation 24 Hours blitz.

During the 24-hour period, EPS Patrol officers recorded four speeders in excess of 50 km/h over the posted speed limit.

"Traffic safety continues to be a No. 1 concern for citizens," said Const. Jeff Sliwa with the EPS Traffic Services Enforcement Unit.

In the 24-hour period, officers handed out 1,146 speeding violations, compared to 899 on Nov. 8, 2013, when the last 24-hour enforcement event took place. **METRO**

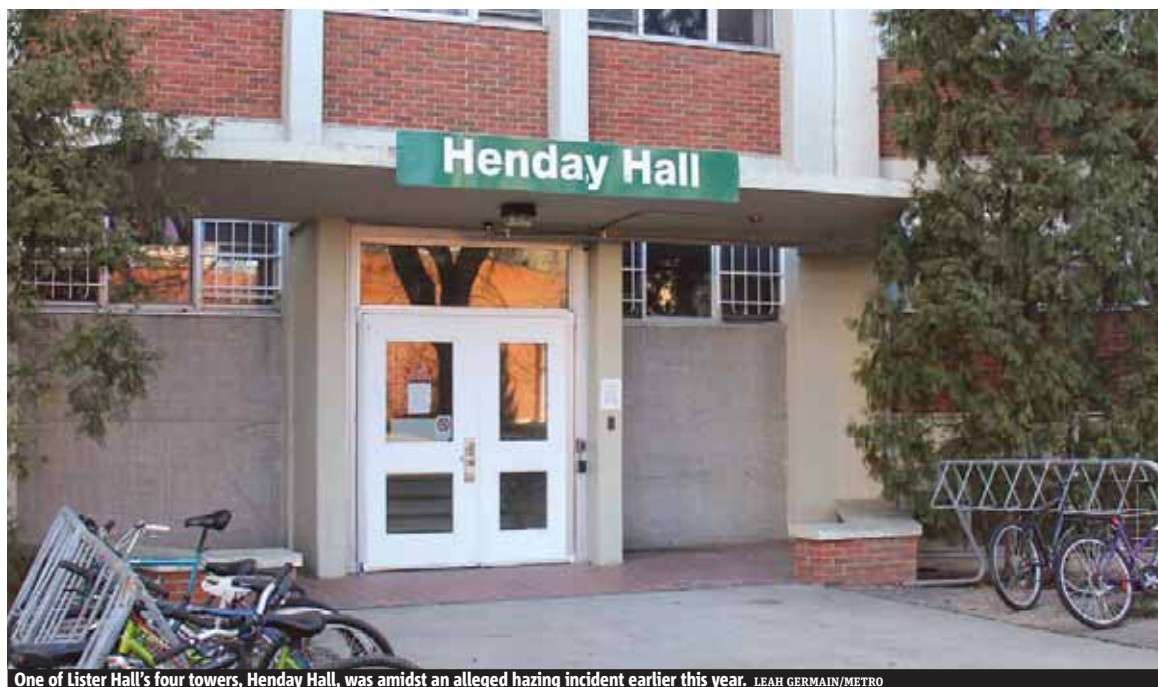
Pedestrian hurt

## EPS looking for vehicle involved in hit-and-run

Edmonton police are looking for the public's help finding a vehicle that fled the scene after a hit-and-run downtown.

At about 3 a.m. Thursday, a Blue Subaru was seen driving erratically on Jasper between 100 Avenue and 105 Street. The vehicle crashed into a parked car, pinning a pedestrian between the car and another one. The pedestrian was treated at the scene by paramedics and was taken to the hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

The vehicle is missing its front bumper and police are asking anyone with information about the incident to call police at 780-423-4567. **METRO**



One of Lister Hall's four towers, Henday Hall, was amidst an alleged hazing incident earlier this year. LEAH GERMAIN/METRO

# 'Dances and chants' behind suspension, sources say

## Hazing allegations. Lister Hall Student Association plans to appeal decision



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Sexual "dances and chants" were behind hazing allegations against a U of A student group resulting in their suspension, Metro has learned.

The Lister Hall Student Association (LHSA) was suspended earlier this week after the office of student judicial affairs launched an investigation into the organization's

Skulk Week.

Described by LHSA president Sam Wright as a week-long event for the Lister residence buildings, Skulk Week kicked off Jan. 11, but was abruptly shut down by the student association after rumours of hazing were brought to Wright's attention.

"It came down to the opening ceremonies and some things run by one of our VPs," Wright said. "It did come down to one person."

The VP of Henday was fired based on allegations of hazing-like behaviour, including the dances and chants, Metro was told by an anonymous source. And now the LHSA is barred from registering as a

student group next year.

According to Wright, they had immediately dealt with the complaint, or so they thought.

Petros Kusmu, president of the U of A student union, said the LHSA made the right call after hearing of the alleged incident.

"As soon as they heard there was a possible allegation they took decisive and quick action to fire the responsible party and distance themselves from those actions as soon as possible," Kusmu said.

Deborah Eerkes, director of the Office of Student Judicial Affairs, said investigators take into account the actions of student associations follow-

Gone but not out

- Students have launched an online campaign using #longliveLHSA to support the suspended group.
- The LHSA will be launching an appeal to the decision and present the entire case to lift the suspension.

ing allegations of hazing.

"Anything a (student association) does to mitigate something is taken into account when we look at sanctions," Eerkes said.

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## Big blind? Province bets high on oilsands growth, but industry not so sure

The Alberta government is banking on rising production in the oilsands to help bankroll the province — but the government's forecasting a rosier picture than the industry itself.

Based on an estimated 36 per cent rise in production, the government anticipates taking in \$7 billion in royalty revenue by the time the 2016-17 budget year rolls around.

That increase will come partially as plants pay out their initial costs and start paying higher royalties, but the government is also counting on output rising to more than 2.8 million barrels a day in 2017 — a number much higher than what the industry expects.

A report from the Canadian Association of Petroleum producers last June estimated production would rise to 2.6 million barrels a day over the same time frame.

Energy department spokesperson Gerald

Kastendieck said the government's production targets are based on what operators have told them they will submit.

Wildrose finance critic Rob Anderson said he's concerned the government is being far too optimistic.

### Royalties

# 61%

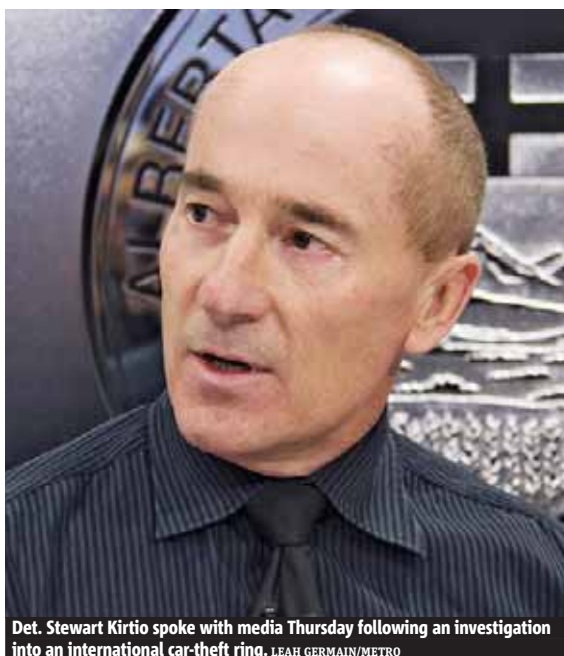
In 2014-15, oilsands royalties will account for 61 per cent of all royalties the government receives. In 2003-04, they accounted for just 2.6 per cent.

"We're assuming everything is going to be at the high end, revenue-wise, for an indefinite period of time and we know that in Alberta that isn't how it works," he said.

He said industry is usually pretty optimistic about growth and to have the government's numbers even higher is worrying.

RYAN TUMILTY/METRO

# Police recover trove of stolen luxury vehicles



Det. Stewart Kirtio spoke with media Thursday following an investigation into an international car-theft ring. LEAH GERMAIN/METRO

### 'Sophisticated fraud.'

Law enforcement has spent over a year on Project Alternator



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Stolen vehicles registered in Alberta were found in West Africa, en route to Costa Rica during a provincial law-enforcement crackdown on an international car-theft ring.

According to police, high-end vehicles were stolen in Quebec, illegally registered

### Value

# \$3M

The price tag for the 53 recovered vehicles by law enforcement

in Alberta and then sold at a substantial discount throughout the country and abroad.

"This is a very sophisticated fraud, requiring thousands of documents," said Det. Stewart Kirtio at the headquarters for Alberta Law Enforcement Response Teams (ALERT) on Thursday.

To date, ALERT is aware of 100 such incidents, recovering 53 vehicles around the world, including 13 from Alberta alone.

Code-named Project Alternator, investigators have spent more than a year looking into the fraud, identifying people in Alberta and Quebec participating in the scam and linking it to organized crime.

While most of the vehicles were sold to a close network of friends and family, Kirtio said if anyone in the province purchased a new or demo vehicle from Quebec at a steep discount, they should contact police.

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## Famous last words

*How hard can it be?*

Thirty-eight minutes in and I want to die.

That's all it took for me to regret doing an article on the Edmonton police's Run With Recruiters training class.

As I desperately guzzled water, I realized I wasn't even at the halfway mark of the 1.5-hour-long class.

"It's going to be tough," one of the officers said as I walked into the gym earlier Monday night.

Recruits ran around the gym and, being a runner myself, I thought "I can do this, right?"

Cue overconfidence.

We ran for about 25 minutes — which is tolerable — except we were also told to sprint, then jog, now

high knees, now kick your legs to your butt. Now do 10 push-ups.

Seriously, kill me now.

We then were divided into seven groups and sprint-relayed across the gym, doing it about three to four times.

Just when I thought there couldn't be more pain left in the torture chest, we moved into what I call Hell on Earth. Each group was given a stationary bike as recruits formed a small circle around it.

We would all rotate through the circle twice, doing different exercises like push-ups and burpees for a minute each. By the time I made it through the circle again, my thighs hurt. My arms hurt. My calves hurt.

But through this test of endurance, the one thing that impressed me was the dedication of these recruits. Many were dedicated to their fitness, something I could see in every stride they made and in the encouraging words they shouted.

As much as I hated the class while I was there, I was thankful for the experience.

STEPHANIE DUBOIS/METRO

## EPS class

Just when I thought there couldn't be more pain left in the torture chest, we moved into what I call Hell on Earth.

# No pain, no gain for police recruits

## Run With Recruiters. Class readies recruits for police testing



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Standing single-file, Edmonton police recruits line up to sprint across the William Griesbach Training Centre gym.

"Whatever you do, do not step on the crest. Otherwise, he'll make you do 12 burpees."

Those are key words to new recruits visiting the Run With Recruiters class for the first time, many of whom persevere through the difficult exercise class by encouraging cheers from fellow recruits.

Respect for the service is something practised even after

recruits become officers — one reason why recruiters teach it alongside the class's exercises.

"There's a certain level of respect with the crest, especially when you go into the division," said EPS recruiter Const. Dayna Bulas.

"Physical fitness is obviously a big component of our job and respect is important to learn now as they go through becoming an officer."

Aside from the commitment to respect, Bulas said the class isn't your average circuit training.

"It pushes them to a level they probably wouldn't do on their own," she said.

The class goes above and beyond the physical rewards by recognizing those who practise teamwork.

Recognition is doled out with what would otherwise ap-

pear to some as a simple beige-coloured hard hat. The hat is given to one class member each week who best embodies the spirit of dedication and perseverance, according to class creator Const. Roop Baweja.

"The one who touches the hard hat is the hardest-working person on the run — not the most fit. It's just the person who gives the most effort that night. I try to make people all want to earn that hat," he said.

With participants of all skill level welcomed to the class, many will have to work to achieve the fitness level required to pass the Edmonton police beep test needed to move forward in the policing world.

Once men and women become officers, they then are tested each year based on the skills needed out in the field,

## Respect for the service

**"Physical fitness is obviously a big component of our job and respect is important to learn now as they go through becoming an officer."**

EPS recruiter Const. Dayna Bulas

explained Abby Kokolski, communications adviser with EPS.

"Two major objectives of the annual fitness assessment are to enhance physical performance of a police officer and to reduce occupational injuries," she said.

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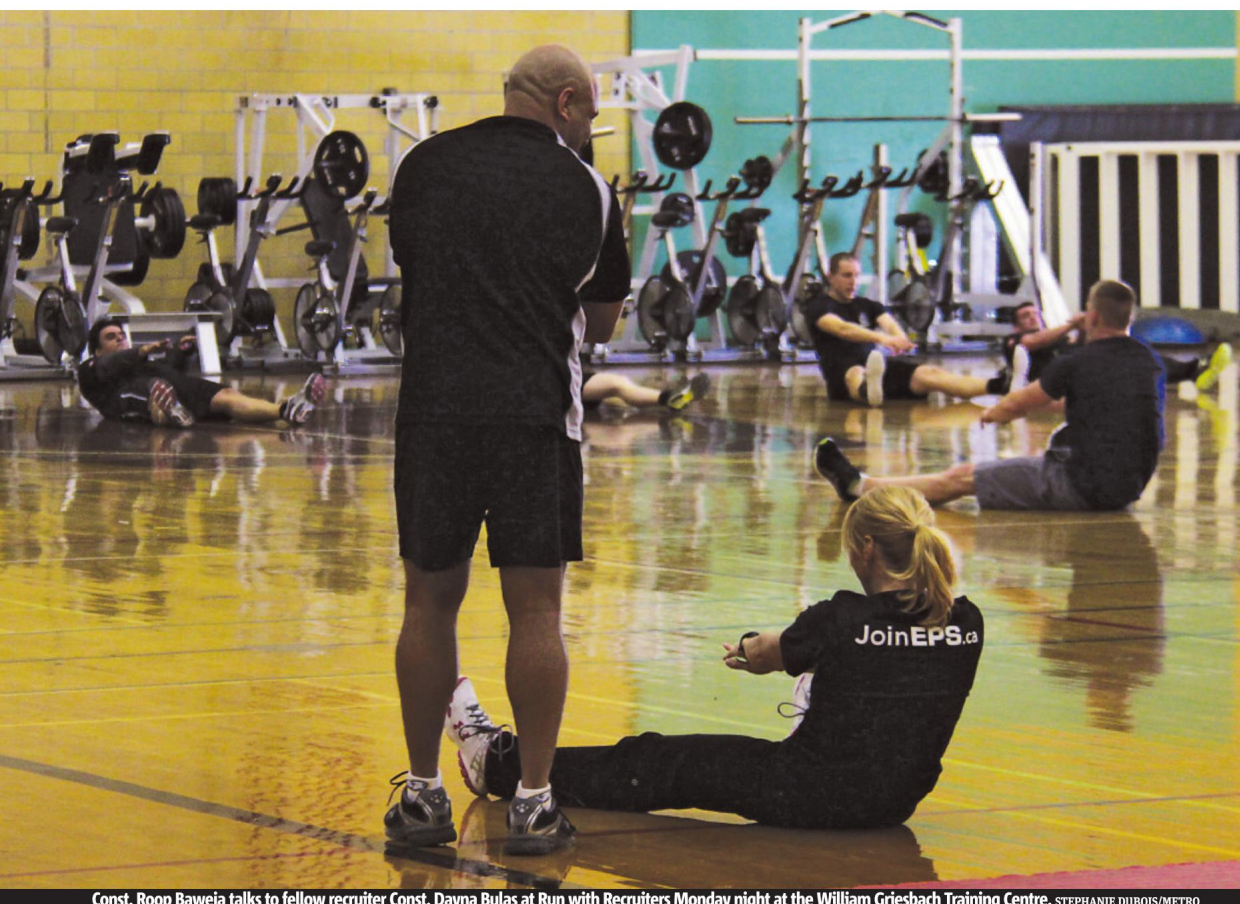
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Const. Roop Baweja talks to fellow recruiter Const. Dayna Bulas at Run with Recruiters Monday night at the William Griesbach Training Centre. STEPHANIE DUBOIS/METRO

#### A typical workout

The exercises done at each Run With Recruiters class varies week to week, but this is roughly what was done at the March 10 class during the 1.5-hour time frame. Each group of exercises was followed by a short three- to five-minute water break.

- **Round 1:**  
-Run gym laps for about 25 minutes (including sprints, high leg lifts, push-ups)  
-Divide into seven groups of five people to sprint across the gym and back three or four times each
- **Round 2:**  
-Run gym laps for about five minutes  
-Group exercise doing a set of 15 burpees, push-

ups, crunches and squats, followed closely by 10 of each exercise again.

- **Round 3:**  
-Run gym laps for about five minutes  
-Group exercise involving stationary bike, with someone starting on the bike for one minute, the person beside him doing a minute of push-ups, the person beside him squats, the individual to his right doing crunches and the final person doing burpees (do this twice)
- **Round 4:**  
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## Unstable layers. Avalanche centre issues warning after four deaths over six days

A warning has been issued by the Canadian Avalanche Centre after four deaths over six days in B.C. and Alberta.

Karl Klassen of the Public Avalanche Warning Service says unstable layers of snow have been a significant problem for weeks, and areas once considered safe may not be now.

Klassen says the two deaths involving snowmobiles in B.C. occurred in forestry cut blocks where logging had occurred, which means it's no longer safe riding below the treeline.

Until conditions improve, the centre recommends that those using the backcountry should travel on small, low-angle terrain and avoid large slopes.

Two people were killed in an avalanche Saturday while snowshoeing with a group near Lake Louise, Alta.

Klassen says it's important that all backcountry users have essential equipment like an avalanche transceiver, a probe and a shovel, regardless of expected conditions.

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### Easier movement

## Western premiers set inter-province vehicle goal

The premiers of Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia have agreed to make it easier for people moving between the provinces to

license their cars or continue apprenticeships. Starting in April 2015, drivers won't need to get their cars inspected if their vehicles are less than four years old. Nor will they need an inspection if one has been done within the last 90 days. Currently, all vehicles must be inspected once they arrive in the new province.

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# EDMONTON FOOD REVOLUTION COULD SPICE UP CITY ECONOMY



FOOTNOTES  
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When you think of Edmonton's strongest sectors, energy, education and science probably come to mind. But does food? It should, since Edmontonians eat out more than almost all other Canadians.

Recognizing this, Edmonton Economic Development, usually a champion of tech and energy, announced this week a grand attempt to bring more attention to Edmonton's red-hot hospitality industry. Host Edmonton, an annual three-day event starting May 22, has a lineup that rivals big-city conferences like Eat! Vancouver.

Expect Food Network stars Christine Crishing and Marc Murphy of Chopped, a city-wide contest to find the best cocktail in town and a concert by a "big recording artist" that EED hospitality manager Jimmy Shewchuk could not yet divulge.

"Right now, there's a real renaissance in Edmonton (hospitality)," Shewchuk told me at Tuesday's announcement at Hundred, with Host speaker Kevin Brauch of the Thirsty Traveller fixing up breakfast cocktails.

"You talk about economic diversification — this is it!" added D'Arcy Vane, director of the Enterprise Edmonton division.

Few local industries have seen as much strength lately as hospitality, not just in terms of job growth but consumer confidence.

Having one of the highest incomes in the country has afforded Albertans to spend \$667 million on bars and restaurants in 2011, almost 10 per cent more than the year prior. And though Statistics Canada doesn't keep city numbers, its 2011 data found Albertans spend \$850 per capita on restaurants — far more than any other province.

That would be a conservative number for me. I was lucky enough to enter my mid-

### Stronger with each bite

## Few Edmonton industries have seen as much strength lately as hospitality, not just in terms of job growth but consumer confidence.

20s on the cusp of the world's food renaissance. A decade ago, young people splurged their income at clubs, but increasingly today our idea of a night out is sous-vide steak, charcuterie and truffle popcorn.

Edmonton's dining scene was nothing to brag about when I moved here in 2006, but now places like Duchess Bake Shop and Tres Carnales have put us on the culinary map. These are just a few of the inventive places cropping up downtown and along 124th Street seemingly every week.

Still, readers of Canadian food magazines know that Edmonton is not recognized as having the nation's best restaur-

rants. We're still better known for chains and often serve as a testing site for expanding U.S. franchises. But there's no reason why Edmonton can't over-perform in the food scene like Austin and Salt Lake City have in the U.S.

This would require more investment and attention from business incubators and leaders, and Host is a great start. Not only that, but it indicates a different focus for the newly branded, newly named and newly invigorated EED. Shewchuk and Vane, who thought up the event late last year, don't just want to invite people into the industry's kitchen but also hope to entice chefs to Edmonton from around the world. Certainly, our spending habits are attractive — but are our palates?

"The money is here," said Brauch while eyeing a Coin-treau pour. "The people are here, and you have strength in numbers ... but for something like this to work the people of Edmonton have to make this their weekend every year."

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# Crimean referendum prompts West to increase threats against Russia

**Crisis in Ukraine.**  
Gov't and Western allies warn Russia against trying to annex strategic peninsula

Russia conducted new military manoeuvres near its border with Ukraine on Thursday, and President Vladimir Putin said the world shouldn't blame his country for what he called Ukraine's "internal crisis."

In Crimea, where the public will vote on Sunday whether to break away from Ukraine and become part of Russia, jittery residents lined up at their banks to withdraw cash from their accounts amid uncertainty over the future of the peninsula, which Russian troops now control.

U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry and Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov plan to meet

in London on Friday in a last-ditch bid to end the standoff over the Crimean referendum, which Ukraine and the West have rejected as illegitimate.

In Berlin, German Chancellor Angela Merkel sharply criticized Russia, saying the territorial integrity of Ukraine cannot be compromised.

Speaking to Germany's parliament, Merkel said Russia risks "massive" political and economic consequences, if it does not enter into "negotiations that achieve results" over the situation in Ukraine.

If Moscow does not begin to "de-escalate" the situation, Merkel said, the 28 European Union nations, the U.S. and other allies are prepared to take even stronger measures such as freezing bank accounts of Russians and implementing travel restrictions that would hit Russia economically.

On Wednesday, Moscow rejected the Ukrainian government's claim that a massive



An elderly man holds a Ukrainian flag next to Cossacks guarding Crimea's regional parliament building in Simferopol, Ukraine, Thursday. VADIM GHIRDA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Russian military buildup near the countries' border was raising the threat of a possible invasion.

But on Thursday Russia's Defence Ministry announced that thousands of Russian troops in their regions of Ros-

tov, Belgorod, Kursk and Tambov bordering Ukraine are involved in the exercises, which will continue until the end of the month.

Putin, who has received his parliament's permission to use the Russian military in Ukraine,

has warned that he reserves the right to "use all means" to protect Russian speakers in Ukraine from violent nationalists, even though there have been no signs they are facing such a threat.

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## Ukraine's economy

### Canada offers \$220M to prop Ukraine finances

Foreign Affairs Minister John Baird says Canada will contribute \$220 million to an international effort to stabilize the finances of the government of Ukraine.

He says Canada is prepared to work with the European Union, the United States and the International Monetary Fund to help Ukraine.

The minister says Ukraine seems to have enough money to keep afloat for a few months, giving the international community time to work out some solutions.

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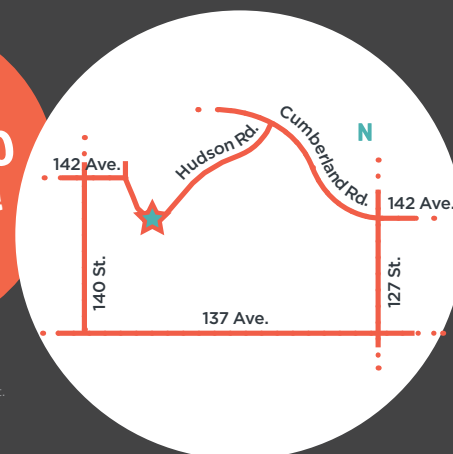
  
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# More bodies pulled from N.Y. blast site

**Harlem disaster.** Mayor hopes to 'find others still alive' as rescue workers search overnight through smouldering wreckage

Rescuers working amid cold, gusty winds and billowing smoke pulled four additional bodies overnight from the rubble of two Manhattan apartment buildings, as the death toll rose Thursday to at least seven from a gas leak-triggered explosion that reduced the area to a pile of smashed bricks,



A firefighter applies water to rubble on Thursday in East Harlem, N.Y.  
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splinters and mangled metal.

The explosion Wednesday morning in Harlem in-

jured more than 60, with searchers still trying to locate others a day later. Mayor Bill de Blasio said Thursday that the city was "hoping to find others still alive" and then "to determine exactly what happened here."

Crews used generator-powered floodlights and thermal imaging cameras to identify heat spots — bodies or pockets of fire — at the site. Police guarding the scene wore masks and neighbourhood residents covered faces with scarfs amid the thick, acrid air.

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## 2 dead at SXSW after car plows through crowd

Bystanders assist first responders in Austin, Texas, early Thursday morning, where a suspected drunken driver barrelled through police barricades and drove down a crowded street at the South by Southwest music festival, killing two people and injuring 23 in an act authorities say was intentional. The driver, whose name has not been released, faces two counts of capital murder and 23 counts of aggravated assault with a vehicle. COLIN KERRIGAN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Malaysia Airlines. Search widens for missing plane

Malaysian authorities expanded their search for a missing plane westward toward India on Thursday, saying it may have flown for several hours after its last contact with the ground.

That scenario would make finding the Boeing 777 a vastly more difficult task, and raises the possibility that searchers have been looking in the wrong place for the plane and its 239 passengers and crew since it

disappeared early Saturday.

Search planes were sent Thursday to search an area off the southern tip of Vietnam where Chinese satellite images showed three suspected floating objects, but they saw only ocean.

"There is nothing. We went there, there is nothing," said acting Malaysian Transport Minister Hishammuddin Hussein. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

### China

## Police arrest rights advocate

Police in China on Thursday took away an activist who runs a rights monitoring website, and seized his computers and mobile phones, the campaigner's mother said.

Eleven police officers turned up at Huang Qi's home and produced a summons before taking him away, said Pu Wenqing. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



# Researchers find new tiny T-Rex 'cousin'

**Alaska.** Arctic discovery suggests region is littered with fossils

Scientists have discovered a new species of dinosaur that called the Arctic home 70 million years ago.

Nanuqsaurus hoglundi

was a — relatively — tiny cousin of the Tyrannosaurus rex.

The unidentified fossilized fragments of the skull and jaw were found in northern Alaska almost eight years ago, in an area known as the Kikak-Tegoseak quarry, on the North Slope close to the Yukon border.

"The big difference between Tyrannosaurus rex

## Quoted

**"We're thoroughly jealous."**

Grant Zazula, paleontologist for Yukon government

and Nanuqsaurus, and Tarbosaurus for example, which is the Asian tyrannosaur, is that Nanuqsaurus is about half the

size," said Tony Fiorillo of the Perot Museum of Nature and Science in Texas.

"We feel that's an adaptation to life in the North."

Nanuqsaurus — named for the native Inupiat word for polar bear — had a skull about 64 centimetres long and stood about two metres high at the hip.

He inhabited a drastically different Arctic than the one

we know today. During the Cretaceous period, the area was a coastal plain covered in tall, conifer forests and flowering plants. The temperature would have been similar to western Canada today.

Although Alberta is world-famous for its dinosaur bone beds, Fiorillo said the Arctic remains largely uncharted territory. The 2006 dig produced not one, but two new

dinosaur species. Fiorillo and his colleagues have also identified a new species of horned dinosaur from the Kikak-Tegoseak quarry, east of the massive Colville River.

"I can tell you that it's absolutely mind-blowing that out of the very same hole in the ground we got not one, but two brand new dinosaurs," he said.

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## Quebec election

### PQ candidate out after offensive Facebook post

A Parti Québécois candidate pulled out of the provincial election campaign Thursday after posting a graphically worded anti-Islamic message on his Facebook page.

Jean Carrière stepped aside after the photo started to make the rounds on social media Wednesday.

The photo was of a half-naked white woman holding up her middle finger with the words "(expletive) Islam."

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## Dirty laundry

### Trudeau bars candidate to avoid infighting

Justin Trudeau is launching a pre-emptive strike to prevent Liberals in nomination contests from resuming the toxic infighting that almost destroyed the party.

Christine Innes was told she will not be allowed to run for a nomination after complaints that her husband, former MP and junior cabinet minister Tony Ianno, has been using "intimidation and bullying" to lure supporters from newly elected Chrystia Freeland.

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### Chow: 'We deserve better'

Former NDP MP Olivia Chow holds her granddaughter Solace Campbell, 2, after launching her candidacy for Toronto mayor on Thursday. The veteran left-wing politician refused to discuss Mayor Rob Ford's numerous scandals, but said, "He is no role model for my granddaughters."

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## Cairo

## Attack on army bus kills 1

Masked gunmen opened fire on an army bus in Cairo on Thursday, killing one soldier and wounding three in a rare attack on troops in the Egyptian capital, security officials and a military spokesman said.

Security officials, who spoke on condition of anonymity because they

were not authorized to talk to the media, did not say who was responsible for the attack, which bore the hallmarks of Islamic militants.

But the armed forces spokesman, Col. Ahmed Mohammed Ali, blamed the Muslim Brotherhood — the country's leading Islamist group from which ousted president Mohammed Morsi hails — for the early-morning attack.

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## Thailand

## Suspected human-trafficking ring busted

Thai authorities on Thursday detained 220 suspected Turkish migrants hiding in a secluded camp in the deep south and believed to be victims of a trafficking ring.

Acting on a tip from villagers, immigration police

raided the jungle camp located up a mountain behind rubber plantations in southern Songkhla province, said police Col. Chusak Panas-umporn. The group included 78 men, 60 women and 82 children.

Thailand has long been a transit point and hub for human traffickers, mostly transporting ethnic Rohingya fleeing violence and persecution in neighbouring Myanmar.

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Oscar Pistorius covers his head with his hands and a notebook as he listens to evidence

# A 'trail of led cop to

**Oscar Pistorius trial.** Former police colonel testifies, grisly crime scene described in detail

case, through a small lounge area and then into Pistorius's bedroom. Ultimately, van Rensburg reached the bathroom where the world-famous athlete shot his girlfriend in the early hours of Valentine's Day last year.

There, van Rensburg said he found Pistorius's gun, hammer back and the safety off, on a mat. There were also spent bullet casings, cellphones and a blood-soaked towel on the bathroom floor, and the cricket bat Pistorius says he used to break down the toilet door to get to Steenkamp. In the toilet cubicle, there was a darker pool of blood and the wooden splinters where the locked door, through which Pistorius shot the model, had been bashed through.

Pistorius, 27, faces a possible life sentence if convicted of murder. He has pleaded not guilty to all charges against him and says he shot the 29-year-old Steenkamp by mistake, thinking she was a dangerous intruder in the tiny

Photographs of Oscar Pistorius's cocked 9-mm pistol lying on a mat on the blood-stained bathroom floor and the blood splatter on walls and furniture in his house were shown at the double-amputee Olympian's murder trial Thursday, building a detailed picture of the scene where he killed Reeva Steenkamp.

One of the first two police officers at the house to investigate the shooting testified that he followed a "trail of blood" when he got there.

Former police colonel G.S. van Rensburg said he traced spots and bigger blood marks downstairs where Steenkamp lay dead from three gunshot wounds and followed them across the floor, up the stair-



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during his trial in Pretoria, South Africa, Thursday. ALET PRETORIUS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS/POOL

## Evidence in perjury trial OK'd

A judge has ruled the Crown can present evidence at the perjury trial for an RCMP officer that alleges four Mounties colluded to fake a story about Robert Dziekanski's death.

Const. Kwesi Millington is on trial for perjury in connection with his testimony at a public inquiry that examined what happened when Dziekanski was stunned with a Taser at Van-

couver's airport.

Millington's lawyer argued the Crown should not be able to claim the officer colluded with the other Mounties before speaking to investigators, because a judge rejected the same argument last year when another officer was acquitted.

Judge William Ehrcke says the legal principle that Millington's lawyers attempted to use only applies

if the same person is on trial.

Const. Bill Bentley was found not guilty of perjury last year, and Ehrcke points out Millington wasn't formally part of that trial in any way.

The Crown is appealing Bentley's acquittal, while former corporal Benjamin (Monty) Robinson and Const. Gerry Rundel are expected to stand trial separately later this year. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



RCMP Const. Kwesi Millington at his perjury trial in Vancouver on March 10. DARRYL DYCK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

# blood' bedroom

toilet cubicle in a bathroom of his Pretoria villa. Prosecutors charge that he intentionally killed her.

Details in the photos were highlighted by the prosecution as part of its case against Pistorius. One was a gun holster on a table by the side of the bed where Pistorius says Steenkamp, and not him, was sleeping that night. The size of the bedroom suggested Pistorius had to walk close to where he says he thought Steenkamp was still sleeping to get to the bathroom. In the bathroom, the gun rested on a mat that was clean and out of kilter with the blood stains around it, head prosecutor Gerrie Nel noted.

As van Rensburg, who resigned from the police force last year, was led through each photograph by Nel, Pistorius mainly kept his head down in court and appeared to avoid looking at the TV monitors where the images were shown. The screen next to Pistorius was switched off

### Graphic photos

The photos provided vivid images.

- Blood stains from the severe wounds he inflicted on his girlfriend were splattered on a white wall close to a group of trophies in the multiple Paralympic champion's home.
- Upstairs, there was a black air gun rifle and a blue baseball bat near the door to Pistorius's bedroom.

before the exhibit.

Van Rensburg confirmed that the photos reflected accurately how he found the scene when he got there just before 4 a.m. on Feb. 14, 2013 — about 30 to 40 minutes after prosecutors say Pistorius shot Steenkamp.

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# Marijuana job fair stokes high level of interest in Denver

## Homegrown demand.

Line of job applicants snaked around corner as legal pot business lights up big profits

When Tim Cullen was opening his first marijuana business four years ago, the high school biology teacher-turned-pot entrepreneur struggled to get resumes and references from job applicants.

"Everyone's experience was on the black market," Cullen said. Now, he said, "it's come out of the closet."

Out of the closet, down the street and around the corner. That's where the line of hopefuls stretched Thursday outside a central Denver office building that was hosting a marijuana industry job fair.



Job seekers attend a marijuana-industry job fair hosted by O.pen Vape, a vaporizer company, in Denver on Thursday. BRENNAN LINSLEY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Cullen, who owns two retail marijuana shops and is a partner in a company that makes hash oil and another that makes vaporizers, was among representatives from about a dozen businesses reviewing applications.

O.penVAPE, Cullen's vaporizers company, organized the

fair to meet its own growing staffing needs and help others in the industry, said company spokesman Todd Mitchem.

Voters in Colorado and Washington approved sales of marijuana for recreational use in 2012, and recreational sales began first in Colorado, in January. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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## China cutting through the smog

In this December 2013 file photo, the skyline of the Lujiazui Financial District in Shanghai is seen blanketed in heavy smog. Japanese electronics maker Panasonic Corp. is compensating employees for living with air pollution in Chinese cities, such as Beijing and Shanghai, that have become notorious for high pollution. China will tighten environmental legislation and force polluters to pay compensation following renewed blasts of toxic air, the country's top legislator said Sunday. Zhang Dejiang said in a report to the ceremonial legislature's annual session that businesses were responsible for the environmental damage they caused and must be held to account. He said legal revisions were being prepared, but offered no specifics.

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## Ruffing ridiculous? Americans spent \$55.7B on their fur babies in 2013

Millions of pets across America live like little humans these days — and as long as people treat them that way, pet spending should keep climbing after a record 2013, industry spokesman Bob Vetere said Thursday.

Americans spent an all-time high of \$55.7 billion US on their pets in last year and spending will creep close to \$60 billion US this year, the president and CEO of the American Pet Products Association told buyers and exhibitors at the Global Pet Expo in Orlando, Fla. Overall pet spending has not dipped since record-keeping started, according



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to APPA, based in Greenwich, Conn.

The biggest part of spending in 2013 — \$21.57 billion US — went for food — a lot of it more expensive, healthier grub.

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## U.S.

### Amazon raises price of Prime memberships

Amazon is raising the price of its popular Prime membership in the U.S. to \$99 US per year, an increase of \$20 US. It's the first price increase since the online retailer introduced Prime, which includes two-day free shipping on many products, in 2005. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Alberta

### Some oilsand drilling paused

Environmental groups are giving Alberta's energy regulator a rare pat on the back over its decision to delay approvals for certain types of oilsands projects over concerns about the intensity of development.

"It's encouraging that the (regulator) ... is willing to take a pause when it's required," said Erin Flanagan of the Pembina Institute, an environmental think-tank.

In late January, the Alberta Energy Regulator announced it would delay approval for all oilsands proposals in a 1.2-million-hectare region around Fort McMurray that planned to use unconventional steam injection to recover bitumen from shallow deposits.

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# THE WORLD ACCORDING TO KEVIN BACON

**1 #whileTwitterwasdown.** Twitter went down briefly Tuesday, but it felt like an eternity to users. By the time it came back, #whileTwitterwasdown was trending with gems like, "I tried to get real people on the street to follow me, but they just wouldn't. Elites probably," and "I was promoted at work, made six friends, and started a family." All I did was write six books, three of which were adapted to the big screen.

**2 First kiss.** A beautiful video of 20 strangers meeting and kissing for the first time went viral, with more than 20 million views. When people found out it was actually a fashion film by the label Wren, it didn't really dampen spirits. After all, it really was strangers kissing. And the vid really was beautiful. Plus, we're used to product endorsements on everything.

**3 Bachelor finale.** The finale had the narcissistic Juan Pablo trending for being such a self-serving idiot. Even his parents warned Clare and Nikki about him. In the end, he sort of picked Nikki. But we all know that the person Juan Pablo loves the most in the world is himself. That's who he should have proposed to: Juan Pablo.

**4 Funny or Die.** To promote his health-care plan, President Obama sat down for an interview with actor Zach Galif-



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anakis on his comedy web series Between Two Ferns on Funny or Die. Boy did it work. White House senior communications adviser Tara McGuinness tweeted "FunnyorDie.com is the #1 source of referrals to HealthCare.gov right now." Laughter really is the best medicine.

**5 Strombo.** Hockey Night in Canada named him as their primary host and anchor, taking over from Ron MacLean, who will have a diminished role next year. Lost in the hoopla was the announcement Strombo's terrific show George Stroumboulopoulos Tonight will be cancelled at season's end. I will miss it big time.

**6 #AskBaird.** Canada's Foreign Minister John Baird hosted a live Twitter chat where you could ask him questions. This was refreshing for season's end. I will miss it big time.

a politician to be this transparent in real time about what Canada is doing on the international stage. Baird was self-deprecating, saying in one tweet, "suggest trying someone else for cooking & fashion tips."

**7 Kevin Bacon.** A YouTube video titled Kevin Explains the '80s to Millennials garnered nearly two million views as a straight-faced Bacon tried to explain what the '80s and its VCRs and parachute pants meant. "You want to know my favourite app? Rubik's Cube," Bacon says. Google that, millennials, to find out what it is.

**8 Jack Bauer.** It was announced the iconic character will be coming back to TV four years after the series finale. This time Jack is an exiled ex-CIA agent who has to prevent the assassination of the U.S. president — and prevent a world war. Yes, life is never easy for Jack Bauer. But it is for Kiefer Sutherland.

**9 Daylight saving time.** The first week adjusting to daylight saving is always a nag, but all the more so when the most famous mayor in the world — yes, Mayor Ford — tweets out "Daylight saving time starts this evening, turn your clocks back and change batteries in smoke alarms." For the rest of this year, Ford will be two hours behind the rest of the world.

**10 22-pound house cat attacks.** It read like an Onion article — a 911 call was placed by a family whose 22-pound Himalayan cat, Lux, who had a "history of violence," was holding them "hostage" inside their bedroom after attacking their baby. Don't worry: The police caught the grumpy cat after it attempted "to flee custody" by climbing on top of the fridge.

**11 www.** Remember when the telephone turned 25? The radio? The TV? I don't either. But I will remember when the World Wide Web did — March 12, 2014. Seriously though, can you believe it's already been around a quarter-century? Before we know it, Twitter will seem ancient when we're beaming around space tweeting our adventures.



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## ZOOM

### Take a guess at what this is

#### Man-of-war can kill fish and humans

It looks like a bejewelled silk scarf but you'd be a fool to wear it. This image shows the Portuguese man-of-war, a sea creature whose stinging tentacles are capable of

killing fish and even humans. Eric Röttinger's shot is winner of the non-scientific category of the annual cover contest by molecular biology journal EMBO. **METRO**



ERIC RÖTTINGER/KAHIKAIIMAGES.COM

#### Too many tendrils

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metres is how long the venomous tendrils of a Portuguese man-of-war can extend to — that's roughly four lengths of an average-sized city bus. Ten metres is the average length for this

seafaring creature's appendages. The tendrils' venom-filled capsules, or nematocysts, are capable of paralyzing and killing fish, and on rare occasions humans. Some people have described a sting from the man-of-war as a feeling like being struck by a lightning bolt.

#### Blob tag

- **Biology.** Despite its appearance, the Portuguese man-of-war (Physalia physalis) is neither a jellyfish nor even a single animal. It's actually a siphonophore, a floating colony of multiple organisms working in symbiosis with each other.
- **Structure.** It comprises four individual polyps (or organisms): one forming

a gas-filled bladder that floats on the sea surface and looks like an old warship (by which the creature gets its nautical name), one that catches small fish with its long tendrils, and two others that are in charge of digestion and reproduction.

- **Habitat.** Found in groups of 1,000, floating in warm waters throughout the world's oceans.

#### Clickbait



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**You've got mail. In honour of the World Wide Web's — almost called The Information Mesh, The Mine of Information — silver anniversary, we present you with a few Internet firsts:**

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1994: First banner ad, first online purchase (a pepperoni/mushroom Pizza Hut pizza)

1995: Craigslist, Match.com go online  
2003: Apple launches iTunes  
2006: Twitter begins  
And the rest is history ...



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#### Twitter



**@metropicks asked: #Starbucks in the U.S. is adding a tip option on its mobile app. Do you tip your barista? @Starbucks**

**@Bridawns:** I don't tip the cashier for bagging my groceries; why would I tip for pouring my coffee?

**@EdmontonLight:** I tip mine! Why? They know my name, they pre-make my order if they see me & they ask me how the kiddette's are; #service

**@lisambungay:** I tip the regular one cause they know my name and order ;-) they're worth it!

**@AllenGalley:** Really? Who's next? McDonalds?

**@kkjohal769:** sorry I can barely afford the latte itself five dollars is a bit too much money for me and then a tip

**@MonaLahey:** For pouring a coffee

that I have to add my cream and sugar, no. For a specialty drink HE—YES!

**@RealBritbird:** Yep I gave him a tip yesterday for the 4:15 at Epson

**@neiliasherman:** pretty soon there won't be money for coffee if we have to tip for every service. How about paying staff fairly?

**@annahoward62:** it's a great option for our regular customers to have more options. It's not forcing anyone to tip I think baristas get this stigma put on them that these hipster university kids that are more privileged than someone else with a minimum wage job, but the truth is a lot of us are putting ourselves through university and it's really hard on a minimum wage job. Tim's staff get more in tips then we ever will

**@DazRolfey:** no chance.

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## Synopsis

Based on the most successful racing video game franchise ever, *Need for Speed* is Aaron "Breaking Bad" Paul's first lead in a feature. He plays Tobey Marshall, a speed-demon mechanic, jailed for a crime he did not commit. Out of prison with revenge against adversary Dino Brewster (Dominic Cooper) on his mind, he finagles a spot at the De Leon, a high-octane underground race that makes the Cannonball Run look like a Go-Kart sprint. You just know it's only a matter of time until someone says, "We'll settle this behind the wheel." Between him and the race, however, are miles of hard road, bounty hunters and police. Steve Gow sits in for Mark Breslin this week.

• Richard: ●●●●

• Steve: ●●●●

## Reel Guys

### RICHARD CROUSE AND MARK BRESLIN



*Need for Speed* opens this weekend. CONTRIBUTED

# The cars are the stars

**Need for Speed.** Action-packed racing tale based on a video game not one for the intellectual crowd

**Richard:** Steve, remember the Mazda commercials that were on a few years ago? I felt like the kid from those ads was sitting on my shoulder whispering "zoom, zoom" into my ear for the entire running time of *The Hot Wheels Movie*, er... *Need for Speed*. This is a fast paced car race movie that zips along as quickly as you'd hope a movie with the word speed in the title would, but character wise, it's not quite as fast or furious as you might like. The cars are the stars, while the characters are largely left in the dust. What did you think?

**SG:** Yes, the way they're upstaged by the racing sequences, the term "vehicular manslaughter" could easily apply to the actors. Sure, Aaron Paul showed us he had chops in *Breaking Bad* but that only makes the choice of playing a gravelly-voiced, vengeance-seeking street car racer all the more curious. After all, as much as *Need For Speed* tries to design depth in its characters, nobody in the thriller rises above conveniently routine. Or all that interesting.

**RC:** I liked the race scenes. They feel authentic and by and large done by brave speed demon stunt drivers without the use of CGI. They're exciting, pedal-to-the-metal sequences that put the audience in the driver's seat. You have to wonder about glorifying the romance of reckless street racing, but the movie

isn't a commercial for vehicular mayhem. There are some wild rides, but there are also consequences for many of the drivers and their need for speed. I just wish the characters were stronger. It says something when the movie's most interesting character — the eccentric millionaire the Monarch, played by Michael Keaton — never gets behind the wheel of a car.

**SG:** He was definitely working the same oddball over-the-top angles as Nicolas Cage. Imogen Poots (*That Awkward Moment*) was appealing enough as a British assistant of the car's owner who hitchhikes along with Paul for the nationwide ride. However, I couldn't help thinking how contrived the entire plot was. Then again, I suppose that shouldn't be surprising con-

sidering the story was culled from a video game — albeit a very successful video game.

**RC:** *Need for Speed* isn't *Downton Abbey*. It's a car crazy story where characters take a backseat to the action, but if you know what a *Two Lane Grasshopper* is, then you'll probably get a kick out of the driving scenes.

**SG:** This movie definitely isn't for graduates of Juilliard's drama program. It's for high-octane gearheads who want to stuff their faces with over-buttered popcorn and watch innocent bystanders and cops get taken out in the careless (cut cunningly choreographed) act of illegal street racing. It does a fine job there but I'm not sure I'll remember much else about *Need for Speed* by tomorrow morning.

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# Are you up for watching Shia in the buff?

## Nymphomaniac.

One of Metro's intrepid reviewers checks out the latest from Lars von Trier and shares what he learned about sex

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By now many of you may have gotten wind of the latest "event" movie from Danish enfant terrible Lars von Trier, he of the malevolent mind bender *Antichrist*, the Björk-starring anti-musical *Dancer in the Dark* and the lush *Melancholia*.

When von Trier releases a film, the cinema world races around him in circles, debating furiously, cheering and jeering in equal measure. He knows this and clearly loves to push boundaries and buttons.

With his latest opus, the pornographic masterwork



Shia LaBeouf leaves nothing to the imagination in *Nymphomaniac*. CONTRIBUTED

*Nymphomaniac*, the filmmaker doesn't just push boundaries, he decimates them. The movie stars von Trier's muse, actress and pop star Charlotte Gainsbourg as Joe, a self-described sex addict whose lifelong free-fall into carnality has both liberated her and led her to lubricated ruin.

After dropping jaws all over Europe, the five-hour

*Nymphomaniac* opens in select Canadian markets next Friday, ready to shake our sensibilities with is cavalcade of extreme and explicit couplings. This writer was invited to the Toronto press screening last week, along with most of Hogtown's finest critics. It was an elephantine affair, beginning at 9 a.m. and climaxing at 2 p.m. and was indeed

an "event", complete with intermission to provide a breather from the non-stop emissions. The movie is, of course, more than just a star-studded sex film and is in fact, very edifying.

Here then, related in as family-friendly a fashion as possible, are five things I learned while stuffed into a sweaty cinema watching *Nymphomaniac*...

## The version we're getting in Canada is cut

Before the screening, the publicist announced that Canada will indeed be getting the slightly truncated edit of *Nymphomaniac*, to which some critics sneered.

"Don't worry," the smirking PR assured, "you'll still get plenty of 'stuff' to look at."

## Sex is like fly fishing

The framework of *Nymphomaniac* consists of a battered Joe relating her salacious life story to a kindly bachelor (played by von Trier regular Stellan Skarsgård) who convincingly draws every one of her penetrating anecdotes back to the art of fly-fishing, complete with beautifully shot footage of the hobby sport.

## Shia LaBeouf has nothing to hide

He may be marauding around Hollywood with a bag on his head, but troubled *Nymphomaniac* co-star LaBeouf leaves no other part of his anatomy to the

imagination here, dressed as he is in nothing more than a smile for half the film's running time.

## Mini-muffins taste great post coitus

During the intermission between *Nymphomaniac* Part One and Part Two, the publicist treated us wobbly-kneed critics to a spread of mini-muffins, juice and coffee. It was odd discussing LaBeouf's beef and Gainsbourg's fluid performance while huffing down bran, but it was all part of the experience.

## The silent duck

Unfortunately, I cannot elaborate on this plot-point, the revelation of which stretches more than the imagination. To learn more, you'll just have to see the film.

And I heartily suggest you do see the film. Because the beauty of *Nymphomaniac* and all of von Trier's work is that hidden inside its outrageous exterior is something profound, poetic and deeply human.

Ratings and synopses courtesy of Rotten Tomatoes. For more movie reviews, trailers and news go to RottenTomatoes.com.

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## Drama



## The Selfish Giant

Director. Clio Barnard

Stars. Shaun Thomas,  
Conner Chapman

The *Selfish Giant* is a contemporary fable about 13 year old Arbor (Conner Chapman) and his best friend Swifty (Shaun Thomas). Excluded from school and outsiders in their own neighbourhood, the two boys meet Kitten (Sean Gilder), a local scrap-dealer — the *Selfish Giant*. They begin collecting scrap metal for him using a horse and cart.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score

Critics: 🍅 97% Audience: 🍅 85%

## Mystery/Suspense



## In Fear

Director. Jeremy Lovering

Stars. Iain De Caestecker,  
Alice Englert

*In Fear* is a tense psychological horror about a young couple's fight to make it through the night. Home invasion but in a car. In real-time. Tom (De Caestecker) and Lucy (Englert) are trapped in a maze of country roads with only their vehicle for protection, terrorized by an unseen tormentor hell-bent on exploiting their worst fears.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score

Critics: 🍅 86% Audience: 🍌 50%

## Drama/Mystery/Comedy



## Veronica Mars

Director. Rob Thomas

Stars. Kristen Bell,  
Ryan Hansen

On the eve of graduating law school, Veronica Mars has put Neptune and her amateur sleuthing days behind her. While interviewing at high-end New York law firms, Veronica Mars gets a call from her ex-boyfriend Logan, who has been accused of murder. Veronica heads back to Neptune just to help Logan find an attorney, but when things don't seem right, Veronica finds herself being pulled back into a life she thought she had left behind.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score

Critics: 🍅 77% Audience: + 94%



Documentary



Tim's Vermeer

Director. Teller

Stars. Tim Jenison, David Hockney

Tim Jenison, a Texas based inventor, (Video Toaster, LightWave, TriCaster) attempts to solve one of the greatest mysteries in all art: How did 17th century Dutch master Johannes Vermeer (Girl with a Pearl Earring) manage to paint so photo-realistically — 150 years before the invention of photography? The epic research project Jenison embarks on to test his theory is as extraordinary as what he discovers.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score  
Critics: 91% Audience: 84%

# Fulfilling fan dreams — for a price

## Kickstarter craze.

As the new Veronica Mars film hits theatres, opinions are mixed on the business of celebs asking fans to finance their projects

Rob Thomas knew he might make movie history by using Kickstarter to crowd-fund his Veronica Mars film. But he wasn't prepared for the posters.

Of all the prizes offered to donors of Veronica Mars — everything from a digital copy of the script for \$10 to a walk-on cameo for \$10,000 — the most taxing was autographing the cast-signed posters promised to more than 5,000 backers. It took several hand-cramping days and constant shuttling of boxes from one signee to the next.

"We've got our own poster handler who is in charge of getting them to us and getting them signed," Thom-



Veronica Mars opens today in theatres and is available on video-on-demand. CONTRIBUTED

as said in a recent interview. "It's required, like, its own department."

But, he adds, "This movie would not exist if we had not gone down this path."

It's been a year since Thomas sent shock waves through the movie industry by turning to the crowd-funding site Kickstarter to help finance a movie based

on his cultishly adored but short-lived high-school detective series. Today, the movie hits theatres and video-on-demand. As the first high-profile celebrity project to drum up money on Kickstarter, Veronica Mars is a trailblazer, albeit one with a cloudy legacy.

Thomas has already been followed by projects by Zach

Braff (to fund his second directorial effort) and Spike Lee (to raise cash for his latest "joint"). The land rush into a new avenue of funding (a major struggle for most filmmakers) has raised questions about the ethics of fan-based financing. (Contributors pay for different levels of rewards, but don't share in profits.)

Veronica Mars may have introduced a democratic spirit to a green-lighting process usually controlled by film executives, but it has also opened a Pandora's box where, critics say, established insiders can take advantage of their loyal followings.

"It's a brilliant idea that's gotten out of hand," House of Cards producer Dana Brunetti recently said at a SXSW panel discussion. "It's wrong when people like Zach Braff or Spike Lee use that same service to fund their films when they already have access. I think it overshadows and takes away from the little guys who actually need the funding."

Thomas says he'd rather not be considered a poster boy for Kickstarter. "Every project has its own separate concerns," he says. Instead, he believes the choice is up to consumers.

"If it bothers you that Zach Braff probably has a lot of money from Scrubs," says Thomas, "then don't give to it."

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Pompeii 3D (14A) Digital Presentation, Dolby Stereo Digital, Fri 7:05 Digital Presentation, Dolby Stereo Digital, Sat-Sun 1:10-3:55-7:05 Digital Presentation, Dolby Stereo Digital, Mon-Wed 6:35  
RoboCop (PG) Digital Presentation, Dolby Stereo Digital, Fri-Sun 9:40 Digital Presentation, Dolby Stereo Digital, Mon-Wed 9:10  
Son of God (14A), Digital Presentation, Dolby Stereo Digital, Fri 6:30-9:30 Digital Presentation, Dolby Stereo Digital, Sat-Sun 12:30-3:25-6:30-9:30 Digital Presentation, Dolby Stereo Digital, Mon-Wed 6-8

**Metro Cinema at the  
Garneau 8712 109 St.**

Election (STC) Wed 7  
It's Kind of a Funny Story (PG) Thu 6:30  
The Killer Condom (STC) Wed 9:15  
Knights of Badassdom (STC) Fri 9  
No Country for Old Men (18A) Mon 7  
The Selfish Giant (14A) Sat 2-7 Sun 4-8:45  
Mon 9:30  
Tank Girl (STC) Tue 7  
Tim's Vermeer (STC) Fri 7 Sat 4-9 Sun 2-7  
Tue 9:15 Thu 9:15

**Movies 12, 5074 130 Ave.**

12 Years a Slave (14A) Fri-Sun 1:05-4:6-50:  
9:40 Mon 4-6:50-9:40 Tue 1:05-4-6:50-9:40  
Wed-Thu 4-6:50-9:40  
47 Ronin 3D (PG) Fri-Sun 6:55-9:30  
Anchorman 2: The Legend Continues  
(14A) Fri-Sun 1:20-4-7-9:45 Mon 4-7-9:45  
Tue 1:20-4-7-9:45 Wed-Thu 4-7-9:45  
Bewakoofiyaan (STC) Fri-Sun 1-4:10-6:40-  
9:25 Mon 4:10-6:40-9:25 Tue 1-4:10-6:40-  
9:25 Wed-Thu 4:10-6:40-9:25  
Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 2 (G)  
Fri-Sun 1:45 Tue 1:45  
Her (14A) Fri-Sun 1:10-3:50-6:40-9:15  
Mon 3:50-6:40-9:15 Tue 1:10-3:50-6:40-  
9:15 Wed-Thu 3:50-6:40-9:15  
I, Frankenstein (PG) Fri-Sun 1:35 Tue 1:35  
I, Frankenstein 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 4:45-  
7:25-9:55  
Jack Ryan: Shadow Recruit (PG) Fri-Sun  
1:25-3:55-6:45-9:35 Mon 3:55-6:45-9:35  
Tue 1:25-3:55-6:45-9:35 Wed-Thu 3:55-  
6:45-9:35  
Kaum de Heere (STC) Fri-Sun 1:30-4:05-  
7:10-9:50 Mon 4:05-7:10-9:50 Tue 1:30-  
4:05-7:10-9:50 Wed-Thu 4:05-7:10-9:50  
Queen (14A) Fri-Sun 1:35-4:40-8 Mon  
4:40-8 Tue 1:35-4:40-8 Wed-Thu 4:40-8  
Saving Mr. Banks (PG) Fri-Thu 4:20-  
7:15-9:50  
Shaadi Ke Side Effects (PG) Fri-Sun 1:50-  
4:50-7:50 Mon 4:50-7:50 Tue 1:50-4:50-  
7:50 Wed-Thu 4:50-7:50  
Total Siyapaa (PG) Fri-Sun 1:15-4:15-7:05-  
9:20 Mon 4:15-7:05-9:20 Tue 1:15-4:15-  
7:05-9:20 Wed-Thu 4:15-7:05-9:20

Walking With Dinosaurs (PG) Fri-Sun  
1:40 Tue 1:40  
Walking With Dinosaurs 3D (PG) Fri-Thu  
4:30

**North Edmonton Cinemas**  
**14231 137th Ave.**

3 Days to Kill (14A) Fri-Sun 2:10-4:55 / 5:50-10:35 Mon 1:35-5:10 / 5:10-10:05 Tue 1:35-5:10 / 5:10-10:05 Wed 1:35-5:10 / 5:10-10:05 Thu 1:35-5:10 / 5:10-10:05

300: Rise of an Empire (18A) Thu 12:30-3:00  
300: Rise of an Empire 3D (18A) Fri-Sun 1:40-4:10 / 6:50-9:30 Mon 12:30-1:40-4:10-5:30 / 6:50-8-9:30-10:40 Tue 1:40-4:10-6:50-9:30 Wed 12:30-3:50-7:15-8-10:40 Thu 1:40-4:10-6:50 Fri-Sun 12:30-3:50-8-10:40 Tue 12:30-3:50-8-10:40 Wed 1:40-4:10-9:30 Thu 3:50-8-10:40

Despicable Me (G) Sat 11  
Divergent (PG) Thu 9  
Frozen (G) Fri 1:45-4:15 Sat 11:15-1:45-4:15 Sun-Tue 1:45-4:15 Wed 4:15 Thu 1:45-4:15 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1  
The LEGO Movie (G) Fri 1:10 Sat 11:20-11:50-1:10 Sun 11:50-1:10 Mon-Thu 1:10  
The LEGO Movie 3D (G) Fri-Sun 3:50-6:20-9:55 Mon-Wed 3:50-6:20-9:55 Thu 3:50-7:35-10:10

The Metropolitan Opera: Werther (STC) Sat 10:55  
The Monuments Men (PG) Fri 12:50-3:45-6:35-9:20 Sat 3:45-6:35-9:20 Sun-Tue 12:50-3:45-6:35-9:20 Wed 3:45-6:35-9:20

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Sun 12:10-2:30-5-7:20 Mon-Thu 12:15-  
2:30-5-7:20  
Mr. Peabody & Sherman 3D (G) Fri-Sat  
1:30-4-6:30-8:50 Sun 1:30-4-6:30-8:45  
Mon-Wed 1:30-4-6:30-8:50 Thu 1:30-4-  
6:30-8:45  
Muppets Most Wanted (G) Thu 7-9:45  
Need for Speed 3D (PG) Fri-Sun 12:40-  
3:40-6:45-9:40 Mon-Wed 12:40-3:40-  
6:45-9:40 Thu 1:20-4:20-7:30-9:30-10:30  
Fri-Wed 1:20-4:20-7:30-10:30 Thu  
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Non-Stop (PG) Fri-Thu 1:50-4:30-7:10-  
9:50  
The Nut Job (G) Fri-Sun 12 Mon-Tue  
12:25 Wed-Thu 12:15  
Pompeii 3D (14A) Fri-Sat 2:40-4:45-7:15-  
10:50 Sun 2:40-4:45-7:15-10:45 Mon-Tue  
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Thu 2:25-5-10:50  
Ride Along (PG) Fri-Thu 10  
RoboCop (PG) Fri-Thu 2:45-7:40-10:20  
Royal Opera House - The Sleeping Beauty  
(STC) Wed 7  
Son of God (14A) Fri-Thu 12:20-3:30-  
6:40-9:45  
Tootsie (STC) Mon 7  
The Wolf of Wall Street (18A) Fri-Wed 7

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12 Years a Slave (14A) Fri 9 Sat-Sun 3-9  
Mon-Thu 9  
The Great Beauty (14A) Fri 6:40-9:20 Sat-  
Sun 2-6:40-9:20 Mon-Thu 6:40-9:20  
Philomena (PG) Fri 7 Sat-Sun 1-7 Mon-  
Thu 7

**Scotiabank Theatre**  
**West Mall, 8882 170th St.**

300: Rise of an Empire — An IMAX 3D Experience (18A) Fri-Sun 12-2:30-5:05-7:30-10 Mon-Wed 1:50-4:40-7:30-10 Thu 1:20-3:45-6:30  
300: Rise of an Empire 3D (18A) Fri-Thu 12:25-3-5:35-8:10-10:45  
Divergent (PG) Thu 10  
Divergent: The IMAX Experience (PG) Thu 9:15  
The LEGO Movie (G) Fri-Sun 12:15-2:45-5:25 Mon-Thu 12:25-2:50-5:20  
The LEGO Movie 3D (G) Fri-Thu 1-4-6:50-9:30  
The Metropolitan Opera: Werther (STC) Sat 10:55  
Mr. Peabody & Sherman (G) Fri-Thu 12:30-2:55-5:15-7:40  
Mr. Peabody & Sherman 3D (G) Fri-Sun 12-2:25-4:50-7:10-9:40 Mon-Thu 1:30-4:10-7:10-9:40  
Muppets Most Wanted (G) Thu 7-9:45  
Need for Speed (PG) Fri-Tue 1:15-4:15-7:15-10:15 Wed 4:15-7:15-10:15 Thu 1:45-4:45-7:45-10:45 Star & Strollers

Screening, Wed 1  
Need for Speed 3D (PG) Fri-Wed  
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7:55-10:30 Mon-Tue 2:10-5:7:55-10:30  
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Pompeii 3D (14A) Fri-Sun 2:20-5:10-8-  
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The Professional (STC) Thu 7:30  
Ride Along (PG) Fri-Wed 2-4:30-7:20-9:50  
Thu 2-4:30  
RoboCop (PG) Fri-Tue 7:50-10:40  
Romeo and Juliet (STC) Sun 12:55  
Son of God (14A) Fri 12:40-3:50-6:55-  
10:10 Sat 3:50-6:55-10:10 Sun 4-6:55-10:10  
Mon-Wed 12:40-3:50-6:55-10:10 Thu  
12:40-3:50-10:10  
That Awkward Moment (18A) Fri-Tue  
10:20

**South Edmonton Common**  
**1525 99th St.**

3 Days to Kill (14A) Fri-Sat 4:40-7:20-  
10:25 Sun 3:30-6:35-9:15 Mon 3:45-9:50  
Tue-Wed 3:45-6:35-9:30 Thu 3:45-9:50  
300: Rise of an Empire (18A) Thu 10:05  
300: Rise of an Empire 3D (18A) Fri-Sat  
11:55-2:40-5:05-7:40-10:15 Sun 2:10-4:35-  
7:15-9:40 Mon-Wed 1:45-4:10-6:55-9:25  
Thu 1:35-4-6:25-9:25 Fri-Sat 12:25-3-  
5:35-8:10-10:45 Sun 12-2:35-5-10-7:45-

10:15 Mon 2:15-4:40-7:25-9:55 Tue-Wed  
2:15-4:40-7:25-9:50 Thu 1:50-4:15-7:05  
Despicable Me (G) Sat 11  
Divergent (PG) Thu 9:30  
Enemy (14A) Fri-Sat 2:43-7:30-10:05  
Sun 2:43-7:40-10:05 Mon-Tue 2:05-4:30-  
7:40-10:05 Wed 2:05-5:05-7:40-10:05 Thu  
2:05-4:50-7:25-9:40  
Frozen (G) Fri 1:05-3:45 Sat 11:20-1:05-  
3:45 Sun 1:05-3:45 Mon-Thru 1:05-3:40  
The LEGO Movie (G) Fri-Sun 12:05  
Mon-Thru 2:30  
The LEGO Movie 3D (G) Fri-Sun 2:30-  
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The Metropolitan Opera: Werther (STC)  
Sat 10:55  
The Monuments Men (PG) Fri 1:20-  
4:10-7:05-9:55 Sat 4:10-7:05-9:55 Sun  
7:05-9:55 Mon-Wed 1:10-4:10-7:05-9:55  
Thu 1:10-4:10  
Mr. Peabody & Sherman (G) Fri 12-2:25-  
4:50-7:15 Sat 11-10-12-2:25-4:50-7:15 Sun  
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Strollers Screening Thu 1  
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Muppets Most Wanted (G) Thu 7:15-9:55  
Need for Speed 3D (PG) Fri-Sat 1:15-  
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7:20-9:45-10:15 Thu 12:55-1:15-3:55-4:15-  
6:50-7:20-9:45-10:15  
No Clue (STC) Fri-Sat 1:40-4:20-6:50-9:40  
Sun 1:40-4:20-6:50-9:25 Mon 1:40-4:25-  
6:45-9:15 Tue Thu 1:40-4:25-6:50-9:15  
Non-Stop (PG) Fri 12:20-2:55-5:30-8:05-  
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7:30-10:05 Tue 2:20-4:50-7:30-10 Wed  
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Strollers Screening Thu 1  
The Nut Job (G) Fri-Sun 12:55 Mon-Thru  
1:20  
Pompeii 3D (14A) Fri-Sat 12:15-2:50-  
5:25-8-10:40 Sun 2:10-4:45-7:30-10 Mon  
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Wed 2-4:45 Thu 2-4:45-7:35  
The Professional (STC) Thu 7:30  
Ride Along (PG) Fri-Sat 10:30 Sun 9:30  
Mon-Wed 9:40 Thu 10:05  
RoboCop (PG) Fri-Sat 6:45-9:45 Sun-Thru  
6:30-9:20  
Romeo and Juliet (STC) Sun 12:55  
Royal Opera House - The Sleeping Beauty  
(STC) Wed 7  
Son of God (14A) Fri-Sat 12:50-4-7:10-  
10:20 Sun 12:20-3:25-6:40-9:50 Mon-Thru  
1-4:05-7-10-10:15  
That Awkward Moment (18A) Fri 1-3:30-  
9:50 Sat 1:25-9:50 Sun 1-9:35 Mon-Thru  
1:25-4-9:35  
Tootsie (STC) Mon 7  
Veronica Mars (STC) Fri 7 Sat-Sun 4-7  
Mon-Thru 7

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Born to Be Wild 3D (G) Mon 4:20 Thu 4:20  
Flight of the Butterflies 3D (G) Fri-Sun 1 Wed 4:20  
Gravity 3D (PG) Fri-Sat 4:35-9:10 Sun 3:25-6:30 Mon-Tue 6:30 Thu 8  
Jerusalem 3D (G) Fri-Sat 11-2:10 3:20-6:50 8 Sun 11-2:10 5:15 Mon-Tue 2-3:10-5:15 Wed 2-3:10-5:15 6:30 Thu 2-3:10-5:15  
Rocky Mountain Express (G) Sat-Sun 12 Tue 4:20  
To the Arctic (G) Fri 12

**Grandin Theatres**  
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Churchill Ave. St. Albert

300: Rise of an Empire (18A) Fri-Thu  
1:30-3:30-5:30-7:30-9:35  
Frozen (G) Fri-Thu 12:50-2:55-5:05-7:10  
The Hunger Games: Catching Fire (PG)  
Fri-Thu 9  
The LEGO Movie (G) Fri-Thu 1:10-3:10-  
5:10-7:05  
Mr. Peabody & Sherman (G) Fri-Thu

1-3-5-7-8:55  
Philomena (PG) Fri-Thu 1:25-3:25-5:25-  
7:25-9:25  
Son of God (14A) Fri-Thu 9:15

**Galaxy Cinemas  
Sherwood Park  
2020 Sherwood Dr.**

300: Rise of an Empire (18A) Fri 4:10-6:45-9:20 Sat-Sun 1:35-4:10-6:45-9:20 Mon-Thu 6:40-9:10  
300: Rise of an Empire 3D (18A) Fri 4:50-7:25-10 Sat-Sun 1:40-2:15-4:50-7:25-10 Mon-Thu 7:20-9:50  
Despicable Me (G) Sat 11  
Divergent (PG) Thu 9:30  
Frozen (G) Fri 4:15-6:50 Sat-Sun 1:40-4:15-6:50 Mon-Thu 6:55  
The LEGO Movie (G) Sat-Sun 11:50-2:25 The LEGO Movie 3D (G) Fri-Sun 5-7:35-10:10 Mon-Thu 7:10-9:40  
The Monuments Men (PG) Fri 3:45-6:40-9:40 Sat-Sun 12:50-3:45-6:40-9:40 Mon-Thu 6:45-9:35  
Mr. Peabody & Sherman (G) Fri 4:30-7 Sat-Sun 11:30-2-4:30-7 Mon-Thu 6:50 Mr. Peabody & Sherman 3D (G) Fri 5:10-7:40-10:05 Sat-Sun 12:10-2:40-5:10-7:40-10:05 Mon-Thu 7:30-9:55  
Need for Speed 3D (PG) Fri 4:05-7:10-10:15 Sat-Sun 1-4:05-7:10-10:15 Mon-Thu 7-10  
Non-Stop (PG) Fri 4:35-7:15-9:55 Sat-Sun 1:55-4:35-7:15-9:55 Mon-Thu 7:15-9:55 Pompeii (14A) Fri-Sun 9:35 Mon-Wed 9:30  
RoboCop (PG) Fri-Sun 9:30 Mon-Thu 9:15  
Son of God (14A) Fri 6:30-9:45 Sat-Sun 12-3:15-6:30-9:45 Mon-Thu 6:30-9:45

**Leduc Cinemas**  
4702 50th St., Leduc

300: Rise of an Empire (18A) Sat-Sun 1:05  
Tue 7:05  
300: Rise of an Empire 3D (18A) Fri 7:05  
9:30 Sat-Sun 3:30-7:05-9:30 Mon 7:05-9:30  
Tue 9:30 Wed-Thu 7:05-9:30  
Mr. Peabody & Sherman (G) Sat-Sun 1  
Tue 6:55  
Mr. Peabody & Sherman 3D (G) Fri 6:55-  
9:15 Sat-Sun 3:30-6:55-9:15 Mon 6:55-9:15  
Tue 9:15 Wed-Thu 6:55-9:15  
Need for Speed (PG) Fri 6:50-9:35 Sat-Sun  
12:50-3:35-6:50-9:35 Mon-Thu 6:50-9:35  
Non-Stop (PG) Fri 7:10-9:35 Sat-Sun 1:10-  
3:35-7:10-9:35 Mon-Thu 7:10-9:35

**Cineplex Odeon Windermere  
& VIP Cinemas  
6151 Currents Drive NW**

300: Rise of an Empire 3D (18A) Fri 4:30-7:45 Sat 12:10-2:45 5:50-7:55 10:30 Sun 12:50-3:30 6:10-9 Mon-Wed 7:30 Thu 7:10-9:45 Fri 6-9 Sat 1:30-5:50 Sun 12:45-3:45 6:45-9:45 Mon-Wed 7:30

Divergent (PG) Thu 9:30 Thu 9

The LEGO Movie (G) Fri 4:15 Sat 1-3:40 Sun 1:30-4

The LEGO Movie 3D (G) Fri 3:30 6:10-8:50 Sat 12-2:35 5:10-7:45 10:20 Sun 12:30-3:10 5:45-8:20 Mon-Thu 6:50-9:20

The Monuments Men (PG) Fri 3:50-7:10 Sat 12:50-3:50 6:50-9:50 Sun 1-3:50 6:50-9:50 Mon-Wed 6:50-9:50 Thu 6:30-9:30

Mr. Peabody & Sherman (G) Sat 12:30 Sun 1

Mr. Peabody & Sherman 3D (G) Fri 4-6:30-9:10 Sat 3-5:40 8:10-10:40 Sun 3:30-6-8:30 Mon-Wed 6:30-9 Thu 6:40-9:15

Need for Speed 3D (PG) Fri 7-10:30 Sat 12-3:30 7-10:30 Sun 1:30-4:50 8-11 Mon-Wed 6:30-9:50 Thu 8:15 Fri 4:20-7:20 10:30 Sat 1:15-4:15 7:15-10:15 Sun 12:40-3:45 6:50-10 Mon-Wed 6:40-9:45 Thu 6:40-9:40

Non-Stop (PG) Fri 3:40-6:20-9:30 Sat 1:20-4-7:40 Sun 1:10-4:10 6:50-9:30 Mon-Wed 7-9:40 Thu 7:10-9:50 Fri 5-8 Sat 12:45-4:15-8 Sun 2:15-5:45-9 Mon-Wed 8:30 Thu 7

Son of God (14A) Fri 6:45-10:10 Sat 6:15-9:30 Sun 6:30-9:45 Mon-Thu 6:30-9:40

The Wolf of Wall Street (18A) Fri 5-9:15 Sat 2-6 10-10 Sun 12:45-4:50 8:45 Mon-Wed 8



# Here we are still, entertain us

**20 years later.** New book examines the lasting legacy of Kurt Cobain and Nirvana

On the afternoon of April 8, 1994, news came that a body had been found in a greenhouse behind 171 Lake Washington Blvd. E. in Seattle. The victim had died of a self-inflicted gunshot wound to the head.

Twenty years later, we're still fascinated by Kurt Cobain, his music and his legacy. Charles R. Cross, author of the Cobain biography

Heavier Than Heaven, tries to explain why Kurt and Nirvana still matter with a new book, *Here We Are Now: The Lasting Impact of Kurt Cobain*.

**If you were there, you know why Kurt matters. But if you weren't...**

It's been two decades, so virtually almost everyone in college today wasn't alive when Kurt was a current artist. So the debate does spring up. Why does Nirvana matter? Who was Kurt? And what is it about this music that is significant in our cultural history? That's what I attempt to tackle in this new book.

**So how do we not sound like that grumpy old guy who's always yelling at us to get off his lawn?**

Well, you DO sound old! But I think there's a great nostalgia for that era. Rarely am I at a show where I feel that the whole axis of the universe is tilting. And that's the way it felt with a lot of these Seattle bands in the late '80s and early '90s. The music these men created has ramifications that are being felt today.

To look at the impact of just Nevermind — an

album that has sold somewhere north of 30 million copies — it is truly extraordinary.

You wonder how many people who bought that record started a band because there's so much of the sound of Nirvana that you can hear in the groups that followed.

**And we can't just stop with music, can we?**

One of the things that I discovered is that grunge is now a term within fashion. If you go to nordstrom.com and type in grunge, you'll find maybe a hundred items for sale. The word has had a longer life in the fashion industry than in the music

industry.

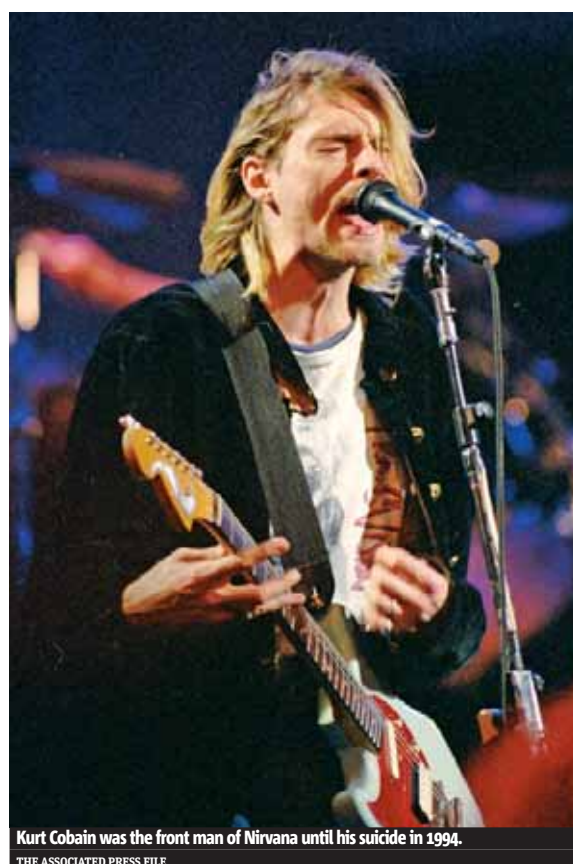
**Will there ever be another Kurt?**

There was something about Kurt's star charisma that we haven't seen in music — and in that way, he was like John Lennon, Bono and Bruce Springsteen. That's why I think Kurt's music stands

above all others in the last 20 or so years.

## Details

**Here We Are Now: The Lasting Impact of Kurt Cobain** will be out March 18 through HarperCollins.



Kurt Cobain was the front man of Nirvana until his suicide in 1994.

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# Andrea Martin is Working the Engels

**In the brood.** Show's family dynamic carries over off-screen as star nurtures cast, works with old SCTV pals

It seems Andrea Martin's role as an irrepressibly madcap matriarch on *Working the Engels* also extends behind the scenes.

The decorated 67-year-old SCTV comedian is seated next to her new co-star Kacey Rohl, and the discussion shifts to the third episode of the new Global series, which debuted Wednesday night.

It's an instalment that features bits of physical comedy both from Martin — who gyrates her way through a hip-hop dance routine — and Rohl, whose character awkwardly navigates a stripper pole.

Here, Martin grabs hold of the conversation. "I can't believe I haven't talked to you about that, by the way," said Martin, turning to her co-star. "That is such amazing physical comedy you do on that pole."

It was shot beautifully. It was so funny, really — the whole episode should be about that."

Of course, nurturing nature aside, the seemingly down-to-earth Martin doesn't share much in common with her unhinged, self-obsessed Engels counterpart, whose dysfunctional, heavily indebted brood of three children is forced to band together to save the family's law firm when her husband suddenly dies.

Azura Skye plays divorced, recovering pill-popper Sandy, Benjamin Arthur portrays ex-con ne'er-do-well brother Jimmy while Rohl is the put-upon family fulcrum — and the only one with a law degree.

An impressive lineup of guest stars have already filmed appearances, a number that includes Colin Mochrie, Kids in the Hall veteran Scott Thompson, Argo actor Victor Garber and Martin's old SCTV pals Martin Short and Eugene Levy.

In the case of those last two, Martin says the bond she still shares with her old comedic collaborators allows for a comfortable chemistry.



Andrea Martin as Ceil Engel, second from right, in *Working the Engels*, with former SCTV cast mate Eugene Levy. SHAW MEDIA

"We talk three or four times a week, all of us," she said. "It just felt like an extension of being in somebody's living room, except there were cameras."

"We both have the same work ethic, Marty and I do."

We all come from the same training, so we're up to improv any time, but both of us are perfectionists. We're very methodical about getting the scene so it's right and making sense and then being silly."

Skye, meanwhile, shrugs

away Martin's modesty and says it's "solely a testament" to the screen and stage actress that such marquee guests would support a show that "hasn't even aired yet."

Indeed, it's Martin who receives the greatest share of

## Praise from co-star

**"When we showed up on set, she created this nice ease and simplicity to everything."**

Co-star Benjamin Arthur

her co-stars' unsolicited, unqualified praise.

"When we showed up on set, she created this nice ease and simplicity to everything," said Arthur, before he and Skye commiserated on occasionally worrying that their performances were too broad.

"There definitely have been a couple times (where I've thought) 'Are we crossing the line into the absurd? Are we slipping on banana peels?'" Skye said. "But it seems to be rooted in something very grounded and very real, and once again that is Andrea. You watch her stuff and it's very much like that."

"It is on the hilarity end of the spectrum but at the same time it comes from a very real, very truthful, organic place."

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## Arthur Chu. Mad king of Jeopardy! loses throne over question about George VI

Arthur Chu, who won big money while taking heat for his renegade style, finished in third place with zero dollars on Wednesday's edition of the syndicated quiz show Jeopardy!

He had reigned for 12 days. His total winnings were \$297,200 US. "A great run," summed up host Alex Trebek.

Chu was unseated by Diana Pelouquin of Ann Arbor, Mich., who led for the day with \$15,700.

Chu had struggled for much of the show when, in Final Jeopardy, he risked, and lost, his entire day's bankroll — \$6,400 — on the question: "He was the last male monarch who had not previously been Prince of Wales."

Only Pelouquin had the correct response: George VI.

The 30-year-old Chu, a resident of Broadview Heights, Ohio, has described himself on Twitter as "mad genius, comedian, actor and freelance voice-over artist."

He applied that mad genius in his approach to Jeopardy! brinkmanship, ditching the time-honoured practice of



Host Alex Trebek with Jeopardy! champion Arthur Chu. JEOPARDY! PRODUCTIONS

polishing off each category's questions one by one. Instead, he took a hopscotch approach to his category choices, which tended to keep his opponents off-kilter.

He also concluded that the bottom rows of the game board are most likely to contain the hidden Daily Doubles, and he played accordingly.

Chu's strategy fuelled indignation from Jeopardy! traditionalists, who contended that such an aggressive style was

somehow unsportsmanlike and exhibited a lack of respect for the game.

Chu "rejected the unwritten rule that the guy or gal with the most facts wins," said On the Media host Brooke Gladstone on an episode of the public radio show last month, "and replaced it with the appalling idea that you can outwit your opponent with the wily application of game theory."

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Garret is a thief who steals not from the rich, but from the miserable. He's a sulk, unlikeable fellow in a heavily oppressed city that is both difficult to navigate and melancholy in mood. When he prowls the night it's to break into hovels and loot lowly possessions from dirty bedrolls and broken cupboards. Where's the mischievous glee in taking a battered woman's wedding ring? The rooftop walkways, rope-firing arrows and secret compartments are neat, but get lost amidst drab, confusing adventures. **KRIS ABEL**

## 3 songs for the weekend



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Fall Out Boy, Tommy2Stix and a Game of Thrones mixtape


Cripple Flow/  
Tommy2Stix

Tomas may suffer from a rare form of muscular dystrophy, but he's not letting that get in the way of a music career. You need to see the video to get the full effect of Tomas' "motivational cripple" approach to life.

Rat a Tat feat.  
Courtney Love/  
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The ninth video from FOB's Save Rock and Roll features Courtney as an evil dictator. Two more videos to go and FOB will have completed their Young Blood Chronicles mini-movie.


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In an attempt to broaden the cultural appeal of Game of Thrones, HBO commissioned a mixtape. It works better than you might think.

## Box-office bonanza

## Stars set to spring into action on Broadway

It's going to be an abnormally hot spring — on Broadway, at least. This season is so laden with stars it's practically galactic. Not only are several powerhouse thespians taking centre stage, but so are a smattering of popular personalities from film and TV. Veterans of the Great White Way include Neil Patrick Harris in the highly anticipated Broadway premiere of Hedwig and the Angry Inch and Idina Menzel in new musical If/Then.

Their peers, who may be more recognizable in 2-D, take on mostly straight plays. Bryan Cranston (Breaking Bad) leads as President Johnson in All the Way. There's also James Franco tackling the literary classic Of Mice and Men and Daniel Radcliffe (Harry Potter) is back — following Equus and How to Succeed in Business — in The Cripple of Inishman.

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# Prince of dubstep gets playful on Recess

**Skrillex.** Grammy-winning producer's first full-length features collaborations with Chance the Rapper, Diplo and Passion Pit, Ragga Twins and others

Skrillex has dropped a surprise on the Internet this week, a full-length album featuring big-name collaborations and refreshing twists on the dubstep beat.

American electronic music producer Sonny Moore, 26, has become one of the best-known names in the dubstep genre since he first started releasing tracks on his Myspace page under the name Skrillex in 2010.

Since then, both he and the genre have gained a lot of name recognition. Skrillex has picked up six Grammy Awards, and dubstep's distinctive noise — the pulsing wub-wubs and lurching drops — have percolated into mainstream pop and dance radio hits.

Despite the success, Skrillex hadn't actually released a full album. That changed Tuesday, when, with little fanfare, tracks from his debut release Re-

cess began to stream on his free app Alien Ride for iPhone and Android.

At first listen, the stand-out tracks are those where Skrillex teams up with high-profile collaborators including Chance the Rapper, Diplo and Passion Pit vocalist Michael Angelakos.

The eponymous and instantly danceable Recess blends the talents of Angelakos, Kill The Noise and Fatman Scoop into a bouncy, high-energy piece that's easy to leave on repeat.

The mid-album track Coast is Clear, carried by Chicago's Chance the Rapper, is another highlight, and a marked departure from the typical dubstep sound.

Vocal harmonies and brass backup add much-needed variety and texture to the album.

And Doompie Poomp is nothing but nonsensical fun — a mishmash of off-kilter beats, filtered vocal samples, tambourines, bells and other delightful noise accents.

The rest of the album is more hit-and-miss. When the hook catches, the track can hold an instant appeal (Ease My Mind) but in other places the waves of bass

## Quoted

**"At the end of the day it's DANCE music. Dancing is supposed to be fun ... it's not politics."**

**Skrillex**

Explaining his music during a Reddit AMA (Ask Me Anything)

and drops can become over-whelming, and even worse, indistinguishable.

But it's probably best not to think too hard about Skrillex — if the music

works for you, the appeal is visceral, and if it doesn't, no amount of critical analysis will change that.

Skrillex has explained his music shouldn't be taken too seriously.

"At the end of the day it's DANCE music," Skrillex wrote in an interview on social news site Reddit a few days before Recess debuted.

"Dancing is supposed to be fun ... it's not politics."

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## Release date

The 11-track album will be streamed until March 18, when it officially goes on sale.



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# What marrying gay best friend taught a fool for love about true romance

**The Marriage Act.**  
Liza Monroy says her marriage of convenience taught her how to fall in love for real

GINA  
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Author Liza Monroy, a self-proclaimed love fool, gleefully admits her appreciation for the romantic comedy genre in her new memoir, *The Marriage Act*.

While she isn't deluded by fantasy, she insists that every relationship can be distilled into a rom-com. Take her first marriage — to her gay best friend in 2001, just after 9/11 — for example. "With Emir, everything was so absurd, a comedy of errors," she says.

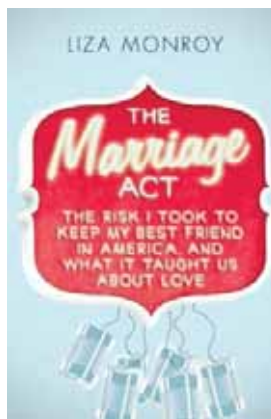
Her book details the set pieces of that story, which includes a cast of characters and series of coincidences that can only be described as filmic.

Monroy's friend-turned-husband, Emir, is from a conservative Middle Eastern country and his visa is expiring; he has not yet come out to his family.

Meanwhile, the pair fear outing themselves to Monroy's mother, a visa chief for the State Department, and endangering Emir's hopes for a green card.

Hilarity — like their Vegas nuptials officiated by an Elvis impersonator — and anxiety — like dodging questions about circumcision at the INS — ensue. Spoiler alert: As with most rom-coms, their narrative has a happy ending.

More than a decade later, Emir remains legally in the U.S., and both of them have found the kind of life partners



they had wished for in their early '20s.

Moreover, DOMA, the federal law that defined marriage as a union solely between partners of the opposite sex, was struck down last June, meaning that nowadays no one will need to make the same sacrifice that



Author Liza Monroy CONTRIBUTED

Monroy did for her friend.

Although no longer legally bound to Emir, she still loves him, in a way that transcends traditional, silver-screen notions of the word. "We are together forever because our friendship — our sibling-hood — continues," she says.

And while she says everything is different from one relationship to the next, and that her unconventional partnership with Emir wasn't a tutorial for married life, the newlywed has learned over time how to fall in love for real — that is, with oneself first. She offers her advice:

#### Use your judgment

"Ultimately, when you find the right person, you feel it. You wouldn't even think about needing advice or asking for outside input. Not that you're

fully in bliss 24 hours a day, but after a conflict, you never think, 'Maybe I shouldn't be in this relationship.' You know it's not going to work out the minute you bad-mouth your partner to your friends. That's a red flag."

#### Be ready

"Get to a place in your life where you're completely fine on your own, so that you don't have expectations of a partner. Not that you shouldn't expect anything (in a relationship), but realize that you don't need someone to do things for you or make you feel validated. I finally decided I didn't need a relationship. If a guy showed up who fit into (my life), great; if not, I'm just fine on my own path. When he appeared, it was a nice bonus and surprise."

#### Be independent

"(Marriage) makes you more independent because you are joining forces with somebody; you always have a teammate. Knowing that someone has your back liberates you to take risks, pursue dreams and really just be who you are. If someone keeps you from doing the things you want, makes you claustrophobic or is possessive, then they're the wrong person for you."

#### Let go

"You can't control what another person thinks, does, feels — and shouldn't try to. That's why the best relationships are effortless, because you just let each other be, to grow naturally together instead of growing apart. Relinquishing control is an important clue that a relationship will last."

#### In her shoes

Although the nation's laws and attitudes toward the LGBTQ community are shifting in a more tolerant direction, Monroy says if she needed to ensure Emir's security in the U.S., she would do it all over again. And, as she says in *The Marriage Act*, one of her criteria for a partner is somebody who respects her decision to have married Emir.

So how did her new husband, Jason, react when she told him? Exactly as you'd hope: He said he would have done the same thing for his friend, too.

She adds that it was the ultimate litmus test, confirming that he was the right guy for her. "He and Emir get along really well," she beams. "They're similar in that they're extroverted, thoughtful, witty people, so they really hit it off."

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## Someone's not happy to see Dunst and Hedlund's relationship in full Bloom

Things are getting serious between Kirsten Dunst and longtime boyfriend Garrett Hedlund — and that's apparently a problem for Orlando Bloom, who briefly dated his Elizabethtown co-star. "Kirsten wants to marry Garrett, and she was shocked when Orlando reached out to her and ripped Garrett apart for his hard-partying, bad boy ways," a source tells Radar Online. "Orlando was basically acting like a jealous boyfriend even though he hasn't been involved with Kirsten for years, and Kirsten called him out on it." Dunst and Hedlund met while filming On the Road and have been dating steadily since 2012. "Kirsten's pals believe she's found a real

soul mate in Garrett, and her work and outlook on life have improved dramatically since they've been together," the source says. "They wonder why Orlando is trying to spoil her good time." Those pals do at least have some theories, though: "Orlando is in a bad place in his career and has seen roles that he wanted slip away to hunky younger actors like Garrett," the source offers. "Orlando's meddling, catty behaviour with Kirsten and Garrett is likely to continue until he has another lucky streak in his career. But Kirsten isn't letting anyone get between her and Garrett, least of all Orlando. She hopes to walk down the aisle with him."

# METRO DISH

OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

### The Word

## Woodley got the OK from Lawrence for Divergent role

MELINDA TAUB  
Metro World News

In any career, it's best to find yourself a mentor when you're just starting out — someone who's been where you are and can advise you.

However, if that career is "starring in a blockbuster trilogy based on bestselling books about a brave young girl thrust into a world of dystopian violence," your mentorship options are limited. To, oh, one other person.

Divergent star Shailene Woodley didn't let that stop her — she reached out to her young-adult-adaptation forebear, Jennifer Lawrence, before agreeing to star in Divergent. "I asked Jennifer Lawrence, 'Are you happy with your choice to take on The Hunger Games?'" Woodley revealed to Teen Vogue. "And she said she wouldn't change it for the world. She told me, 'There are some things — don't make a sex tape, don't do drugs, don't do things in public — that you wouldn't want other people judging you for. But this is the best deci-



sion you'll ever make."

That kind of sounds like Shailene Woodley also asked Jennifer Lawrence for advice on whether to make a sex tape. I'm glad Jennifer said "Nope." It sounds like Shailene has been very discreet, though: She says she's never hooked up on set. After the shoot wrapped, though? That's different. "Well, that might have happened on something...." she said.



Robin Thicke

## Robin plays good father as cancelled shows mount up

Robin Thicke took some time out from his tour over the weekend and flew to Vancouver to spend time with estranged wife Paula Patton and their son, Julian, according to E! News. The recently separated pair seemed in good spirits, laughing together as Julian played at a playground. But maybe the trip didn't go as well as Thicke hoped it would,

as he went on to cancel yet another show — this one at Ontario's Casino Rama — due to "unforeseen vocal issues," something that's plagued his tour since his split from Patton was announced. But he seemed fine Monday night in Los Angeles, celebrating his 37th birthday alongside Leonardo DiCaprio and a number of male pals.

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Since a quarter of Peter Rockwell comes from the Emerald Isle, I like a pint of green beer as much as the

next semi-Irish guy. What the day really brings home to me is the volume of classic booze brands that call Ireland home.

Think Jameson whiskey, Baileys Irish Cream liqueur and, for the beer fans, Murphy's, Harp, and, of course, Guinness. All from a country that's just slightly larger than

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1. Place the ginger, lime leaves, lemongrass and chili in the bowl of a small food processor and process until finely chopped.

2. Heat a frying pan over medium-high heat. Add the oil and the lime leaf mixture and cook, stirring, for 4 minutes or until fragrant.

3. Add the chicken and cook for 1 minute each side. Add the coconut milk and fish sauce

and simmer the chicken for 7 minutes each side or until chicken is tender.

4. Stir through the spinach and serve with steamed rice and coriander leaves.

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- 6 large slices ginger
- 6 kaffir lime leaves
- 4 stalks lemongrass, white part only, trimmed
- 1 long red chili, trimmed
- 1 tbsp vegetable oil
- 4 x 125 g chicken thigh fillets,
- halved
- 1 1/2 cups (375ml) coconut milk
- 1 tbsp fish sauce
- 80 g baby spinach leaves
- steamed rice, to serve
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Jeff Petry of the Oilers clears the puck as Ben Scrivens looks to make a save against Derek Roy of the Blues in St. Louis, Thursday. DILIP VISHWANATH/GETTY IMAGES

# Blues barrage in 3rd puts away Oilers

**NHL.** Schwartz leads league-leading St. Louis to third straight defeat of Edmonton

Alex Pietrangelo started a four-goal third period and Jaden Schwartz scored twice to help the NHL-leading St. Louis Blues beat the Edmonton Oilers 6-2 on Thursday night.

The Oilers lost for the second time in five games.

Pietrangelo, Schwartz and T.J. Oshie scored in a 7:14

On Thursday

6

Blues

2

Oilers

span at the outset of the third period to break a 2-2 tie, and Schwartz added his second goal of the period at 12:56.

Ryan Miller made 23 saves to improve to 5-0-1 since joining the Blues in a trade with Buffalo on Feb. 28. He's 7-0

against Edmonton.

Vladimir Sobotka and Vladimir Tarasenko also scored for St. Louis, which outscored the Oilers 17-4 in winning all three games in the season series.

Sobotka, who returned to the lineup after missing 12 games with a knee injury, and Oshie each had two assists.

Miller has stopped 134 of 145 shots in six games with St. Louis and has yet to lose in regulation.

David Perron and Mark Fraser scored for Edmonton. Perron spent six seasons in

St. Louis and leads the Oilers with 25 goals.

Pietrangelo scored 42 seconds into the third period on a shot from the low slot. Sobotka set up the play by stealing the puck in the corner.

Schwartz added his 20th goal less than four minutes later, and Oshie converted on a 5-on-3 power play.

Fraser tied it at 2 late in the second period with a shot from close range.

Tarasenko gave the Blues a 2-1 lead with a shot from the slot off a pass from Oshie.

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## Curling

### Koe rebounds from opening loss

Brier champion Kevin Koe rebounded from an opening loss at the Syncrude National Grand Slam of Curling event with a convincing 11-4 win over Mark Dacey in Draw 3 action Thursday.

Olympic gold medallist Brad Jacobs opened the event with an 8-6 win over Canadian Brock Virtue.

Edmonton's Kevin Martin, the Olympic champion from 2010, needed an extra end to defeat Saskatoon's Steve Laycock 6-5.

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## CFL

### Chamblin locked up through 2017

Corey Chamblin is staying put.

The Grey Cup champion Saskatchewan Roughriders signed their head coach Thursday to a contract extension through the 2017 season.

Chamblin was entering the final year of the deal he signed when he first joined the Riders in 2012. Chamblin, 36, was named the CFL's coach of the year after leading the Roughriders to an 11-7 regular-season record and eventual Grey Cup title.

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Canada's Corbin Watson makes a save on Joshua Pauls of the U.S. during sledge hockey action in Sochi on Wednesday. PAVEL GOLOVKIN/THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Shut out in Sochi

**Paralympics.** Canada overpowered by U.S. in sledge hockey semi

There won't be a hockey sweep in Sochi.

Declan Farmer had two goals and an assist Thursday as the United States defeated Canada 3-0 in the sledge hockey semifinals at the Paralympic Winter Games.

It's a bitter pill to swallow for the Canadians, who were trying to become the first country to win the men's, women's and sledge hockey tournaments at an Olympic and Paralympic Games.

"We were tight. There's no secret that we weren't mak-

## Mental meltdown

"It was just one of those game where I think maybe we were trying a bit too hard."

Canadian head coach Mike Modin reacts following his team's 3-0 loss

ing crisp, on-the-tape passes, and that hurt us. At the same time, we had our chances," said Canadian captain Greg Westlake. "It seemed like we'd have this 10-bell chance at their end and then they'd come back and the puck would end up in our net."

Joshua Pauls added a goal and an assist for the U.S., while Steve Cash made 11 saves to get the shutout.

The Americans will face Russia in Saturday's gold-medal game at Shayba Arena

after the hosts defeated Norway 4-0 in Thursday's other semifinal.

Corbin Watson stopped seven shots for Canada, which will play Norway for bronze on Saturday.

Gold medallists in 2006, Canada was also looking to avenge a disappointing fourth-place finish on home soil in Vancouver in 2010 and was perfect through three round-robin games, outscoring the opposition 15-1.

But on a night where

nothing seemed to go their way, the Canadians failed to convert numerous chances in front of Cash, a trend that started in their 1-0 victory over the Czech Republic on Tuesday.

The Americans will play for gold for a second straight Paralympics after winning the tournament four years ago.

The U.S. was upset by Russia 2-1 in their final group game here to set up the semifinal against their bitter rivals.

Canada came in having won the 2013 world championship and world sledge hockey challenge — with both victories coming over the U.S. — but lost two of three exhibition meetings with the Americans in the lead-up to the Paralympics. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

## Autopsy. OHL player died of self-inflicted asphyxiation: Police

Media reports say a Canadian junior hockey player whose body was found in Michigan this week died from asphyxiation, which police believe to have been self-inflicted.

The reports say autopsy results for Terry Trafford, 20, were released Thursday — two days after the missing athlete was found in an SUV in the parking lot of a Walmart store in Saginaw Township.

Trafford, who played for the Saginaw Spirit, had last been seen about 9:30 a.m. on March 3 at the Dow Event Center, the team's home arena.

At one point in the search, police said they believed Trafford, a centre with the Spirit, might have left the state to

return to his hometown of Toronto.

His girlfriend previously told The Saginaw News that he was devastated after the team sent him home "for partying on a road trip."

Trafford had been living with team president Craig Goslin and the News reported Thursday that Goslin told a news conference that "none of us saw this coming."

"Everybody around Terry that loved him — the coaches, the players, former players, his billets — none of us ever saw any sign of depression," Goslin said. "If he had depression, he certainly had it hidden pretty deep."

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Former OHL hockey player Terry Trafford. TERRY WILSON/OHL IMAGES

## Tennis

### Raonic knocked out at Indian Wells

Milos Raonic missed his chance at his first semifinal showing since last October as the 10th seed lost to Alexandr Dolgoplov 6-3, 6-4 Thursday at the BNP Paribas Open.

Raonic of Thornhill suffered a major letdown 24 hours after knocking out Andy Murray, managing only four aces and getting just one unsuccessful break chance.

The Thornhill, Ont., native last played in the semis six months ago in Tokyo after winning the Bangkok title. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



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## Horoscopes

## ♈ Aries

March 21 - April 20

Because Mars, your ruler, is on good form today, something will happen that has you jumping for joy. Make plans for your professional future but leave yourself some wiggle room in case you want to change your mind.

## ♉ Taurus

April 21 - May 21

Use your imagination today. This is a great time for trying new things, especially on the work front where, if you show you are able to adapt quickly to changing circumstances, you could be promoted.

## ♊ Gemini

May 22 - June 21

Your mind may be full of ideas but for best results you need to focus on the things that will be of most benefit to you. No matter how many ideas you have your energy is limited.

## ♋ Cancer

June 22 - July 23

Let the world know what you are thinking. Some important people will be listening to what you have to say today and if they like what they hear it won't be long before the offers start coming in.

## ♌ Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

Are you promising more than you can deliver? Maybe, but your confidence is so high at the moment that the thought of failure does not cross your mind, which in turn makes success more likely.

## ♍ Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

You will be tempted to take a risk today and because your ruler Mercury is nicely linked to Mars, planet of action and energy, you may well pull it off.

## ♎ Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

If you feel the need to brag about your success, go ahead. It's not often you make noise about how well you've done, so once in a while it's OK.

## ♏ Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

This is a good day to take care of the little things that need doing at home and at work. Don't set yourself any grand targets, just get the small stuff done and leave the grand design to sort itself out.

## ♐ Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

You have so many options available to you now that it may be hard to know where to start. For best results you should spend as much time as possible in social situations.

## ♑ Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

If someone tries to pressure you into doing something you don't approve of today, you must turn them down flat. Yes, you may owe them for favours but conscience comes first.

## ♒ Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

With Mercury in your sign linked to Mars your mind will move fast, so fast in fact that it may take a while for the rest of you to catch up! Be careful you don't exhaust yourself — something that can happen to your mind and your body.

## ♓ Pisces

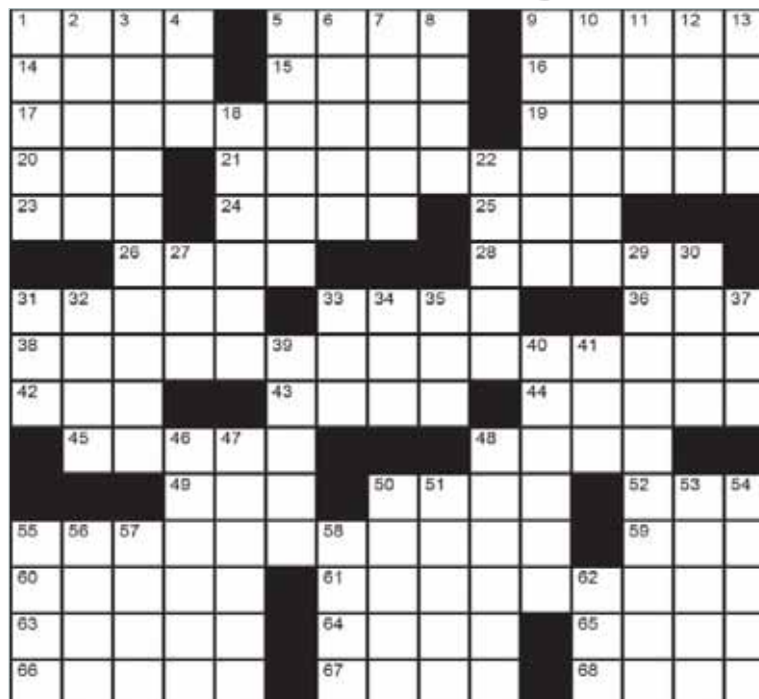
Feb. 20 - March 20

There are signs that something you have dreamed of for months is getting closer and very soon will be your reality. Remember: the more you believe that you deserve success the quicker success is likely to arrive. **SALLY BROMPTON**

## Crossword: Canada Across and Down

## Across

1. "Simply \_\_\_ - lous!" (Wooonderful!)
5. Bean type
9. \_\_\_ Bay, Nova Scotia
14. Pres. Lincoln's
15. In the blink \_\_\_ eye: 2 wds.
16. Part-Canadian band, The \_\_\_ Spoonful
17. Montreal's Rue Sainte-\_\_\_
19. \_\_\_ (Gasket)
20. Our national thoroughfare [acronym]
21. Canadian-invented tool, Robertson \_\_\_
23. Music style
24. Golfing needs
25. German article
26. Nopes
28. Eva and Zsa Zsa Gabor's older sister
31. Trimmings tape
33. Nero's 902
36. 'Quiet' add-on
38. Canadian actor Alan Thicke co-wrote the theme song (with Al Burton and #9-10-Down) to what sitcom? ...and there's another at #1-Down! 2 wds.
42. R-through-V connection
43. Jacket parts
44. Mr. Wilson, and others
45. Catapulted
48. Not at all, \_\_\_



means

49. And not
50. Celebes creature
52. Groovy
55. Veronica Mars portrayer: 2 wds.
59. Positive vote
60. Corny corner
61. People before us all
63. Air freshener

target

64. Exec's office assistant
65. "ChiPs" name
66. Tendencies
67. "East of Eden" (1955) brother
68. Classic lettered Jaguar models

## Down

1. "The \_\_\_ of Life" (Sitcom for which Robin Thicke's dad at #38-Across and mom at #9-10-Down co-wrote the theme song with Al Burton)
2. Sternward
3. Show gratitude: 2 wds.
4. Work the aisles, in slang
5. Canadian \_\_\_ (Military)
6. Blazing
7. Barn toppers
8. Again
9. With #10-Down... Robin Thicke's singer/songwriter/actress mom

See today's answers at [metronews.ca/answers](http://metronews.ca/answers).

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10. #9-Down's surname
11. Tel \_\_\_
12. French film
13. Tech sch. grad
18. Screen legend Ms. Williams
22. Resign
27. TV alien
29. Prince Andrew's title: 3 wds.
30. Yemeni port
31. Picks out a suspect
32. Trivial things to pick
33. Train co. head-quartered in Montreal
34. Famous TV monogram
35. Mag. edition
37. Slithering snake's shape
39. High wave
40. Palace people
41. Possess
46. Like an ajar door
47. Pad-in-hand observers
48. Anne \_\_\_, Queen executed in 1536
50. Li'l comics guy
51. American candy maker of Canada
53. Variant-spelled hawk's nest
54. Suns
55. Kitchen cabinet opener
56. Taunt
57. Desktop symbol
58. Spaceflight gr.
62. Dallas, \_\_

## Yesterday's Crossword



## Sudoku

## How to play

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## Yesterday's Sudoku



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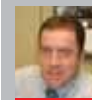
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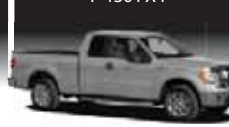
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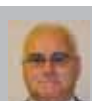


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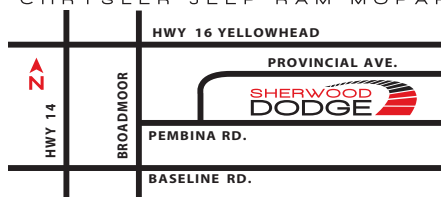
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